# United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit



**EXHIBITS** 

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#### United States Court of Appeals

For the Second Circuit

DOCKET No. 76-7465

TRANSCONTINENTAL OIL CORPORATION, TRECON OIL CO. LTD. and B. EDWIN SACKETT, individually and as nominee,

Plaintiffs-Appellees and Cross-Appellants,

-against-

TRENTON PRODUCTS COMPANY, BERNARD FEIN, HERZFELD & STERN, LOEB, RHOADES & CO., GERSTLET, SUNSTEIN & COMPANY, A. ARTHUR WEISS, LOUIS C. FIELAND and THERESA ZAPPLEY.

Defendants.

TRENTON PRODUCTS COMPANY and BERNARD FEIN,

Defendants-Appellants and

Cross-Appellees.

TRENTON PRODUCTS COMPANY and BERNARD FEIN,

Defendants and Third-Party

Plaintiffs—Apt illants and

Cross-Appellees,

-against-

PHILLIP P. DDKIN, LOUIS GOODKIN, MICHAEL A. ROBERTS, DAVID FRANKEL, JAMES E. DAVIS, PAUL A. ROSSBOROUGH, J. STREICHER & COMPANY, HARRY B. LESLIE, BERTRAM F. FAGENSON, EDWIN B. SACKETT and FAGENSON AND FRANKEL COMPANY, INCORPORATED,

Additional Defendants— Appellees on Counterclaim.

Appeal from a Judgment of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York

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#### Exhibit A

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Defendants.

August 17, 1955, derivatively on behalf of the plainfill and on behalf of all other stockholders of and for the benefit of Transcontinental Oil Corporation [hereinafter referred to as "Frans"]. and service of the summers and complaint herein was terreafter made upon Bernard Fein and Trans on August 24, 1855; and

WHIRMAS, Fein has served on answer denying the material allegations of the complaint and asserts that he is extinted to judgment dismissing the complaint on the merits but at the same time recognizes the desirability of settling and terminating this action to avoid the time and expense of further burders and protracted litigation; and

WEREAS, Trans has served an answer in which it has submitted its rights to the judgment of the Court, and no other defendant but have been taken to the judgment of the Court, and no other defendants.

now, Therefore, IT is switched and Acres, that said action shall be cattled, subject to the approval of the Court as herein provided, upon the following terms and condition

- 1. Fein chall execute and deliver to Trans a genezatelease releasing Trans from any and all liability to Fein, including unpaid calary payable by Trans to Fein at the rate of \$10,000 per annum from August, 1950.
- 2. Fein shall deliver to Trans a general release executed by one Louis C. Fieland, releasing Trans from any and all claims by said Louis C. Fieland, including a claim of approximately \$35,000, plus any interest that may be due with respect thereto.
- 3. Within ten (10) days after final judgment has been entered herein, as hereinafter defined. Fein shall cause to be held a duly constituted meeting of the board of directors of Trans, at which meeting there shall be elected as directors B. Edwin Sackett, David Frankel and Michael A. Roberts, and simultaneously therewith, Fein and the other existing directors shall resign from their directorships in Trans, and Fein shall thereupon also resign as president of Trans.
- 4. Within minety (90) days after final judgment has been entered herein approving this settlement, the bound of directors of Trans shall call a special meeting of the steeldholders of Trans for the purpose of holding an election of directors, and at said meeting, a report shall be made to the shareholders of the affairs of Trans and of its future plans.

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- 5. The plaintiff will proceed expeditiously to effect the discentinuance of the proceeding entitled In Two

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  Experiental Oil Composition, for an Order Lecuiring Election
  to be Weld for the Directors of Transcontinental Oil Composition,
  C.A. 2239, 1935, in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delawary,
  in and for New Castle County.
- 6. Fein hereby waives any and all rights to be reimbursed by Trans with respect to legal fees and/or other cost and expenses incurred by him in the defense of this litigation, irrespective of whether such rights of reimbursement shall exist by reason of any statute or by reason of any of the by-laws or other corporate obligation to Fein.
- 7. Trans shall deliver to Fein a general release in the form annexed as Exhibit "A".
- 8. If this settlement shall be approved by the Court, judgment shall be entered in appropriate form: (a) approving this Stipulation of Settlement and compromise, adjuding it fair, adequate and proper and directing its consummation; and (b) dismissing the complaint herein, with prejudice, against Trans, its successors and assigns and its stockholders, with respect to all claims or causes of action arising from, connecte with or related to any of the matters or transactions alleged in the complaint herein, or which could have been asserted thereunder.

- 9. The consummation of this schilement shall manitically of the final judgment of approval of this Stipulation and of the compremise and settlement horein provided for, the expination of time to appeal from said judgment and, if an appeal be taken, the final disposition of said appeal, and the term "consummation of settlement" shall mean the latest of such events.
- 10. The attorneys for the plaintiff shall promptly submit this Stipulation of Settlement herein to the Court for approval pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.
- hereunder, shall be construed as or deemed to be evidence or an admission on the part or the defendants named in this action, or any of them, of any liability or wrongdoing whatsoever as set forth in the complaint or otherwise; nor shall this Stipulation, or any of the terms thereof, be offered or received in evidence as an admission of wrongdoing on the part of the defendants, or any of them, or any liability therefor.

Dated: New York, N. Y. June 22, 1936.

KAUFIAN, TAYLOR, KIPPIEL & MILLER

Attorneys for Plaintiff

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it ever had, now has or which it or its successors hereafter can, shall or may have for, upon or by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever from the beginning of the world to the day of the date of these presents, with receptor to all chains or causes of action arising from, connected with, or related to any of the matters or transactions alleged in the complaint in an action in the United States District Court for the Southern District of the York entitled B. Finin Sachett, plaintiff, v. Transcontinental of Componention, et al., defendants, 65 Civ. 2500.

This release may not be changed orally.

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has caused its corporate scal to be hereunto affixed and these presents to be signed by its duly authorized officer on the day of nineteen hundred and Diriy-Six.

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(Corporate Seal)

County of Nort York

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the corporation described in, and which executed, the foregoing instrument; that he knows the seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed by order of the board of directors of said corporation; and that he signed has name thereto by like order.

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Exhibit B

Verified Complaint in

Sackett v. Transcontinental Oil Corp., et al.

dated August 12, 1965

No. 3

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DESTRICT OF REM YORK

- against -

alleged on personal knowledge:

B. EDNIN SACKETT,

Plaintiff,

VERIFIED COURT TOO

TRANSCONTINUESTAL OIL CORPORATION, : BERNARD FERE, ROY L. KROPP, LEON M. RODMISON and TRENTON PRODUCTS CORPANY, :

: 65 Civil 1:0.2500

Defendants. :

Plaintiff, by his attorneys, KAUFHAN, TAYLOR, KNOWL G
MILLER, on behalf of himself and on behalf of all other stockholders of and for the benefit of TRANSCONTINTENTAL OIL CONTENTATIO,
complaining of the defendents, alleges upon information and believe,
except for the allegations contained in Paragraph 1 which is

1. Plaintiff is a citizen and resident of the State of Connecticut, and has been a stockholder of TRIMSCONTINENTAL OIL COMPORATION (hereinafter called "TRANS") at all the times hereinafter mentioned. Plaintiff is now the owner of 70,000 shares of Common Stock of said corporation.

- 2. TRAMS is a corporation duly organized and emissing under the laws of the State of Delaware. TRAMS has its principal place of business in the Southern District of New York.
- 3. TREETCH FROTUCTS COMMINY is a comporation duly organized and emiliting under the laws of the Scape of New Jersey."

- 4. (a) None of the defendants is a citizen or realds.
- (b) The cusume in controversy exceeds the sun of Yea Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars.
- (c) Jurisdiction herein is based upon diversity of citizenship.
- (d) This action is not a collusive one to confer on a Court of the United States jurisdiction of any action of which it would not otherwise have jurisdiction.
- 5. The individual defendants have at all times benefinafter mentioned been members of the Board of Directors of TEXAS.
- 6. Since on or about January 1st, 1960, FEMI has been and still is President and Chairman of the Board of Directors of TRANS.
- 7. Demand upon the Board of Directors of TRANS to bring this action would be futile because:
- (a) All of the present directors of TRANS maned herein as defendants have themselves participated in, profited by, authorized and approved the acts and transactions complained of and have taken no steps to prevent any of such acts or transactions or to seek redress therefor and, as a result, the present members of the Board of Directors are personally liable therefor.
- (b) Any action instituted and controlled by the Board of Directors of TRANS to redress the wrongs hereinafter alleged would be in friendly hands and could not be proscented properly.

173 S. Dagend upon the charcholders of TRALS would be futile and is not necessary because: (a) Under Delevere law, the management of Talks rests in its Board of Directors. The shoreholders cannot compet its Board of Directors to sue. (b) The wrongful acts and transcetions complained of herein are not subject to ratification by the steelinelders of THANS and any such ratification would be ultra vires, illegal, contrary to public policy, would constitute a froud upon TRAMS' minority chareholders and would unlawfully deprive TRANS of its property and assets. (c) Any purported authorization from TRANS' chareholders to institute this action or to seek redress otherwice for the wrongs hereinafter alleged would place control of such cause of setien in the hands of the defendants. (d) The sharcholders of TRANS are without power under the law to take any action to redress the wrongs herein complained of by compelling the institution of this action by the Board of Directors. 9. On or about January 1st, 1960, FEEN assumed control over the Board of Directors of TRANS and at all times thereafter the said FEM: has controlled the said Board of Directors. 10. Since at least January 1st, 1960, the individual defendants have in have failed and refused to call an annual mooting of the steekholders of TRANS to elect a Board of Directors ca required by the law of the State of Delomora and by the bylaws of sold Corporation.

- 11. Since at least March 23rd, 1969, TEXN has refused and failed to convene meetings of the Board of Directors to ear-dust the affairs of TRAMS and has instead usurped the authority of said Board of Directors and carried on the business of the Coup-action without authority from such Board of Directors or face, the stockholders in deregation of the interests of the stockholders and to the detriment of TRAMS.
- 12. Since prior to January 1st, 1960, FETH has failed and refused, among other things, to furnish reports to the stock-holders or edvise them of the financial condition of TRANS.
- still is the owner of producing oil properties located in the State of Colorado, and from which TRANS has received and is resently receiving monthly income ranging from \$5,000, per month to \$12,000, per month. FEIN has wilfully failed to account to the steekholders for the said income or to use the same to maintain the said oil properties in efficient operating condition or to fully develop and emploit the full potentialities thereof.
- TRANS required 100 percent of the working interest in 13,775 course of gas leades located at Sedalia in the Province of Alberta in the Dominion of Conada for the price of Two Hundred Forty-Two Thousand (\$242,000.00) Dollars. The said gas properties contained gas wells and proven as' well as semi-proven gas reserves estimated at 55 billion cubic feet gas, and thereby constituted a valuable coset of TANES.

- 15. On or about the lith day of April 1960, the Calendants coused TRANS to enter into an agreement for the sale to TRANSON PRODUCTS COMMENT (hereinafter called "TRANSON") of three-eighths of said working interest in the Sedalia property, together with 150,000 shares of the Common Stock of TRANS, the same than being Treasury Stock, for an aggregate price of Simbly Thousand (\$60,000.00) Dollars. At the time of the said agreement of sale, the market price of the Common Stock of TRANS ranged from Simbly-Three (63%) Cents to Seventy (70%) Cents per share. The fair and reasonable price for the sale of the foregoing Chaster eighths working interest in the Sedalia property was at least the same of Nimety Thousand (\$90,000.00) Dollars.
- 16. By reason of the foregoing, the price poid by TRENTON to TREAS for the said three-eights chare of the Sedalia property and the said 150,000 chares of Treasury Steek was unfally and grossly inadequate. The transaction was unlawful and a waste of the sacets of TRANS.
- 17. Simultaneously with the aforesaid transaction of sale between TRAIS and TRANSCH, the defendants caused TRAIS to enter into a borrowing arrangement with TRENTON wherein and thereby, among other things, TRAIS was caused to borrow from TRANTCH the sum of One Hundred Mighty-Too Thousand Five Hundred (\$102,500.00) Deliars in return for which TRAIS was caused by said defendants to execute and deliver to TRENTCH its comparate note in the sum of Teo Hundred Forty-Too Thousand Five Hundred (\$243,500.00) Deliars bearing interest at the rate of sin (CD)

- became indebted to TREMTOR for the sun of Simby Thousand (\$50,000.00) Dollars in encess of the amount cetually becomed by TREMTOR. The said Simby Thousand (\$50,000.00) Dollars us intended by the defendants to be a bonus or providen to TREMTOR, and the same was illegal and a waste of the asserts of TRAMS.
- 19. At the time of the transcetions aforecaid, Fills was and still is a principal in TRENTON by reason of stming, directly or indirectly, a controlling beneficial interest therein.
- 20. At the time of the reconstitues aforesaid, ROBERGO, and one Bernard L. Green were directors of both TRANS and TRANSCAL.
- 21. The transaction aforesaid between TRAUS and TARRITON were entered into and consummated for the personal benefits and apprendimenent of FERN, ROBINSON, TRAUTON and the said Dermand L. Green, and to the detriment of TRAUS.
- 22. From time to time, since on or about January lot, 1960, FEIN has caused the stock of TRANS to be issued at nominal, unfair and inadequate consideration to third parties whose names are not presently known to plaintiff, for the benefit of said defendant. Such issuence and sale of stock have been a waste of the accets of TRANS and a dilution of the voting rights and equities of plaintiff and all other stockholders of TRANS.
- 23. From time to time, sime on or about January lot, 1960, FRIN has caused to be purchased large quantities of the

the acquisition of said stock thould have been for the benefit of TRANS independent of the acquisition of said stock thould have been for the benefit of TRANS independent has desit with such stock and manipulated the continuous manner as to confer upon himself advantages and benefits thick should have account to all of the stockholders of TRANS indicated Corporation itself.

- 24. Since on or about January lat, 1930, FEIN has coused to be paid to himself and to associates of his, calaries, fees and commissions without due cause or justification therefor, the payment of which salaries, fees and commissions was never authorized by the Board of Directors of TRANS and constitutes a violation of FEIN's fiduciary duries and a veste and diversion of the assets of TRANS.
  - 25. Plaintiff has no adequate remady at law.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands judgment against defendants:

- (a) Requiring the rescission of the sale of the co-eighths working interest in the Sedalia gas properties;
- (b) Requiring the defendants to account for their profite, gains, benefits or empluments obtained or secured by them by reason of the acts or transactions alleged herein;
- (e) Enjoining TRENTON from transferring, conveying, pledging, encumbering, mortgaging or contingling the faculty of TRANS.

- (d) Enjoining the defendants and each of them fore transferring, assigning, alienating, mortgaging or pledging any and all shares of stock unlawfully obsained by them since January 1st, 1960, or from voting any of such stock;
- (e) Concelling all shares of stock issued to the defendants or any of them or which, directly or indirectly, have unlawfully some into their ownership, possession or control since January 1st, 1960;
- (f) Amerding to TRAMS such demages as may be determined as having accrued as result of the unlawful and unauthorized activities of the defendants or the neglect of any of them of their fiduciary duties;
- (3) Impressing a trust upon all shares of ateck of TMANS or other property or assets improperly acquired by the defendents or any of them which this Court may determine to have been prongfully misappropriated or diverted from TRANS.
- (h) Requiring the Board of Directors to issue to the stockholders of TRANS a true and accurate financial statement of the affairs of the Corporation and, further, requiring the Board of Directors to call a meeting of stockholders, pursuant to law to elect a new Board of Directors;

- (i) Amerding plaintiff the costs and expenses of this section, including reasonable counsel fees; and
- (j) Granting such other and further relief as may be just in the premises.

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By: S Paris Di Taves.

Iroin H. Taylor

Attorneys for Plaintiff 41 East 42nd Street New York, H. Y. 10017 NW 2-2933 STATE OF HELL YORK ) : SS.:

B. EDWIN SACKETT, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the plaintiff in the within action; that deponds has read the foregoing complaint and knows the contents thereof; that the same is true to deponent's our knowledge, except as to the matters therein stated to be alleged on information and belief, and that as to those matters deponent believes it to he true.

/s/ B. Edwin Sackett

Swoon to before me this 12th day of August, 1965

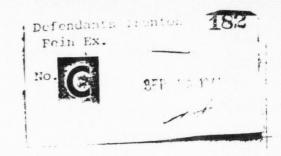
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Exhibit C

Affidavit of Irwin M. Taylor sworn to on June 22, 1966



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

B. EDWIN SACKETT.

Plaintiff,

- against -

65 Civ. 2500

TRANSCONTINENTAL OIL CORPORATION, BERNARD FEIN, ROY L. KROPP, LEON M. ROBINSON and TRENTON PRODUCTS COMPANY.

AFFIDAVIT

Defendants.

STATE OF NEW YORK ) : SS.:

IRWIN M. TAYLOR, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

I am a member of the firm of Kaufman, Taylor, Kimmel & Miller, attorneys for the plaintiff herein.

This is an application for a determination by this Court, pursuant to Rule 23(c) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, of the fairness and adequacy of the annexed stipulation of settlement executed by the attorneys for the respective parties hereto.

This action was commenced by t' service of a summons and a complaint (a cppy of which is annexed hereto as Exhibit "A") on August 24, 1965.

This action was brought by plaintiff on behalf of himself and on behalf of all other stockholders derivatively for the benefit of Transcontinental Oil Corporation (hereinafter referred to as "Trans"). As appears from the complaint, plaintiff is the owner of 70,000 shares of Trans, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and which has its principal place of business in the Southern District of New York. Trans has approximately 7,000 stockholders.

As will appear hereafter, Trans is presently without funds, faced with bleak financial prospects, burdened with debt and paralyzed by management that is unwilling or incapable of activating the corporation from its present dormant and moribund state.

The physical properties of the company consist of (a) a 65% working interest in the so-called Rangely oil property in Colorado, from which a steadily-declining income, now approximately \$2,000. per month, is being received (in previous years the income was considerably higher); and (b) five-eighths of the working interest in 18,775 acres of gas leases located at Sedalia in the Province of Alberta in the Dominion of Canada. Estimates of the proven reserves vary from 8- to 15-billion cubic feet. The property is not presently tied in with the Trans-Canada pipeline and no income is derived from this property.

Trans' shares are traded over-the-counter. The range of prices, as obtained from the National Daily Quotation Service, Eastern Section, has been:

	B1	D PRICES	
	HIGH		LOW
1963	.39		.15
1964	.45		.16
1965	.32		.14
1966			
<b>*</b> -			
January	.17	**	.15
February	.17		.16
March	.20		.17
April	. 25		.20
May	.30		.25

Among other things, the complaint alleges that, since on or about January 1, 1960, defendant Fein has been and still is President and Chairman of the Board of Directors of Trans and, during this entire period, has exercised control over the Board of Directors of that company. The wrongdoing attributed to defendant Fein may be capsulized as follows:

- (a) His failure and refusal to call any meeting of stockholders of Trans since January 1, 1960, although the holding of annual meetings for this purpose is required by the applicable law of the State of Delaware and by the By-Laws of Trans itself;
- (b) His failure and refusal to convene meetings of the Board of Directors to conduct the affairs of Trans and, instead, his usurpation of the authority of the Board of Directors and the carrying on of the business of Trans without authority from such Board or from the stockholders;
- (c) His failure and refusal, since at least January 1, 1960, to furnish reports to the stockholders of Trans er to advise them of the financial condition of the corporation;
- (d) His willful failure to account to the stockholders for the income purportedly received by the corporation from its oil-producing properties located in Colorado and the neglect on the part of the said defendant to retain these oil properties in efficient operating condition or to develop and exploit their full potential ities:

- (e) The sale on or about April 11, 1960 to Trenton Products Company (hereinefter referred to as "Trenton") of three-eighths of Trans' working interest in certain gas leases located in Canada (known as the Sedalia property), together with 150,000 shares of the common stock of Trans for an aggregate price of \$60,000. when the fair and reasonable price was at least the sum of \$90,000.;
- (f) The payment by Trans to Trenton of a \$60,000. bonus in connection with a loan made by Trenton to Trans;
- (g) The issuance by Fein of the common stock of Trans to unidentified third parties for nominal, unfair and inadequate consideration;
- (h) The purchase by Fein of large quantities of the issued and outstanding stock of Trans under circumstances where the acquisition of such stock should have been for the benefit of Trans instead of for Fein's own benefit; and
- (i) The payment by Fein to himself and his associates of unauthorized salaries, fees and other remuneration without justification therefor or authorization thereof by the Board of Directors.

The complaint further alleges that Trenton was a corporation in which Fein was a principal and that he owned and exercised a controlling interest therein.

Service of the summons and complaint herein were effected only upon Trans itself and upon defendant Fein. The other defendants were not subject to process within this jurisdiction.

Trans and Fein both have appeared by Milton Paulson,
Esq.; Trans has submitted its rights to the judgment of the
Court while Fein has served a verified answer.

The answer of defendant Fein is essentially a general denial and, in addition thereto, said defendant affirmatively

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alleges that during the period of his service as an officer of Trans he has received no compensation and that no meetings of stockholders have been called since January 1, 1960 because Trans did not have and still does not have sufficient funds available to pay for the cost and expense incident to the holding of a meeting of its stockholders or to pay for the furnishing of reports to them. His answer further alleges that such income as Trans did derive from its operating oil properties was pledged as security for the payment of its debts and obligations while its gas leases in Canada were pledged as security for the payment of the obligations incurred by Trans in connection with the purchase of such gas properties.

In aid of the litigation before this Court, the plaintiff made application to the Chancery Court of the State of Delaware—where Trans is incorporated—for an order requiring the corporation to call a meeting of its stockholders for the election of directors. That application was presented to the Chancery Court on August 9, 1965 and Vice—Chancellor Short ordered that a notice of election be mailed to all stockholders on or before August 30, 1965 for a meeting to be held on the first business day after the expiration of twenty days following the date of the notice of election. Although Trans was duly served with a certified copy of the Court's order on August 9, 1965, it failed to appear or comply with the order. Thereupon the plaintiff made further application to the said Chancery Court for an order appointing a Master to hold a meeting of the stockholders of Trans. Accordingly, on September 8, 1965, Vice—Chancellor Short appointed one Robert

High, Esq. of Wilmington, Delaware, as Master, under the provisions of Sections 224 and 227(b) of 8 Del. Code and the Rules of the said Chancery Court, to call and hold a meeting of stock-holders of Trans for the purpose of electing directors. The Vice-Chancellor required, among other things, that Trans file with the Register in Chancery a bond to the State of Delaware with corporate surety thereon in the amount of \$5,000. for the payment of all costs of the designated election, including the costs of proceedings before the Chancery Court and the fees of the Master.

Following service of the said order upon Trans, defendant Fein, as President of Trans, made application to the said Chancery Court (a) to vacate the order directing Trans to call a meeting of stockholders for the purpose of electing directors and (b) to modify the subsequent order appointing Robert High, Esq., as Master to call and hold such meeting of stockholders. The said application of Mr. Fein contended that the failure to comply with the orders of the Vice-Chancellor -- like the failure in preceding years to hold meetings of stockholders -- was not arbitrary or willful, but stemmed from the circumstance that Trans was then and had been for the past six or seven years wholly without funds or income with which to pay the expense of calling and holding a meeting of its approximately 7,000 stockholders. Moreover, Mr. Fein stated under oath that it was unable to furnish a list of stockholders, directly or indirectly, to the Master because Trans did not have such a list of stockholders and did not have funds to defray the cost of compaling such a list. He stated that for some years Texas Bank and Trust Company of Dallas, Texas, had

acted as transfer agent of Trans and it alone had possession of

the stock transfer books of Trans and the stencil cards containing the names and addresses of the stockholders. Since July 15,
1965, that transfer agent had withdrawn its services to Trans
because there was unpaid to it approximately \$12,000. for accrued
transfer fees. That transfer agent refused to return the stock
records unless the past due indebtedness was paid to it.

The foregoing application made by Mr. Fein was not actually heard by the Court. Upon receipt of a copy of his sworn affidavit in support of his application, my client and I undertook some independent verification of the financial facts adduced by Mr. Fein in mitigation of the charges levelled against him in our complaint. This investigation lent some substance to his position that there was no active wrong-doing on his part but rather a chronic inactivity resulting from lack of funds. This latter factor all present to explain the breakdown in communication with stock of liders.

Hoping I might succeed where Mr. Fein had failed I communicated with the transfer agent for the purpose of enlisting its cooperation to the limited extent of furnishing the plaintiff a list of the stockholders so that the Master might call the meeting. This effort, like the prior effort by Mr. Fein, was entirely without success. The transfer agent was insistent upon payment of all accrued arrears of transfer fees before making any records available to Trans or to the Master appointed by Vice-Chancellor Short.

Confronted with this impasse, a proposal emerged from discussions held by Milton Paulson, Esq. and sysulf to consider

the possibility of Mr. Fein's yielding up his financial interest in the corporation to plaintiff and simultaneously surrendering we ing control of Trans. This proposal led to lengthy, extensive and searching negotiations to find a fair and reasonable basis upon which the plaintiff might buy out Mr. Fein who would then yield his position of control of Trans to the plaintiff. Plaintiff recognized that were such a transaction concluded with Mr. Fein then he would commit himself to this Court to call a meeting of the stockholders of Trans within a reasonable period of time thereafter to elect a Board of Directors and otherwise revive the normal corporate administrative processes. During the negotiations for settlement, it further appeared that the dormant character of Trans' existence during these past several years stemmed from the fact that not only was Trans without any unencumbered income but in addition Trans was heavily in debt because Fein and Trenton had both advanced substantial amounts of money to Trans to finance:

(a) The acquisition by Trans in 1960 of 100% of the working interest in 18,775 acres of gas leases located at Sedalia in the Province of Alberta in the Dominion of Canada, for a purchase price of \$242,500.

Trans had not had the funds necessary to consummate the transaction and Fein claims that he was able to secure the monies by inducing one Bernard L. Green, Esq., a practicing New Jersey attorney who was also his friend to organize Trenton and have it provide the monies for the purchase. Purportedly, Trenton obtained its funds from Mr. Green and certain of his clients and then these monies were loaned to Trans under an agreement which provided that Trans would, upon acquisition of the aforementioned Canadian gas properties, as security for the loan, assign to Trenton these properties and 75% of the income of Trans after the payment of a certain first mortgage on the Colorado oil properties owned by Trans. In order to consummate the transaction, the amount actually loaned by Trenton was \$220,000. while Fein appears to have advanced the balance of \$22,500. and it is claimed that, in addition, he personally loaned Trans The house of the property of

about \$15,000. more to cover various other expenses which had to be paid at or prior to the closing of the transaction. It appears further that a fraud was perpetrated upon Trans and indirectly upon Trenton and Fein by certain of Fein's predecessor officers in Trans and by the sellers and broker involved in the transaction as well, the principal malefactor having been one Burkinshaw. Upon the discovery of the multifold fraud, Trenton unsuccessfully offered to rescind the entire transaction with Trans and the sellers and thus secure the return to Trenton of the monies it had losned to Trans. Trenton succeeded only in having Burkinshaw convey to Trenton 350,000 shares of Trans stock owned or controlled by him. With Trans devoid of monies with which to repay the loan, Trenton declared such loan in default.

(b) Costly litigation arising in part from the claims of fraud involved in the aforementioned Sedalia gas property acquisition, the defense of foreclosure proceedings commenced against Trans Colorado oil properties and other litigation in the State o New York

Annexed hereto as Exhibit "B" is a copy of a lengthy opinion by Hon. Jacob Markowitz in the action entitled "Anglo-Pacific Oil & Gas, Ltd. v. Transcontinental Oil Corporation," New York Law Journal, March 30, 1964, which is expository of the tangled legal and financial problems from which Fein contends it became necessary to extricate the corporation.

It is claimed by Fein that he undertook personally to finance the extensive and expensive litigations in which Trans became involved and to meet other urgent expenses as well. The aggregate of personal loans and advances by him for these purposes, and while its only income-producing property in Colorado was in receivership, eventually totalled \$57,972.26. Annexed hereto as Exhibit "C" is a schedule of the loans and advances claimed to have been made by Fein to Trans for the purposes indicated. These loans and advances have all been repaid to him.

As to the \$242,500. loaned by Trenton and by Fein personally in connection with the purchase of the Sedalia gas properties (as described in Subparagraph (a) hereinabove), the balance still owed thereon, with accrued interest, is presently \$225,460.72. It should be mentioned further that Fein has stated under oath that the various frauds committed by other third parties (the

subject matter of the litigation described in Judge Markowitz's opinion, Exhibit "B") in connection with the acquisition of the Sedalia gas properties not only jeopardized the investment made by Trenton, but proved to be a source of great embarrassment to him and to Mr. Green. It is contended by Fein that although he did not feel legally obligated in any way, he recognized that he had a strong moral responsibility to Mr. Green and to Mr. Green's clients, with the result that he agreed personally to take over the investment of those clients in Trenton. Consequently, he paid out additionally approximately \$140,000. of his own monies to Mr. Green's clients and thereby took over the ownership and control of Trenton. As security for the payment of the remaining debt, Trenton has held and now holds all of the right, title and interest of Trens in the Colorado oil properties and in the Sedalia gas properties.

The present financial situation of Trans is grim. In substance, it appears that Trans presently has only about \$170. in cash, and is the owner of the oil leases in Colorado and the shut-in gas wells in Sedalia (more fully described hereinabove), all of which have been pledged as security for the defaulted loans made by Trenton. In addition, the corporation holds judgments of approximately \$643,000. against certain third parties in connection with frauds perpetrated upon Trans (see Exhibit "B") but these judgments are of very doubtful dollectability and are believed to be worthless.

The liabilities of Trans consist of the sum of \$225,460.72 oned by Trans to Trenton. as hereinabove set forth.

and approximately \$75,000. more to other creditors, some of whom have reduced their claims to judgment or are about to do so.

If this lawsuit were successfully prosecuted through actual trial to judgment, the tangible benefits for Trans could not comprise more than what the settlement herein proposed will certainly obtain for Trans. More likely, the benefits to be derived from continuing and prolonging this litigation would be significantly less, and if ever obtained at all they would most likely be too little and too late for this corporation which now teeters on the verge of insolvency.

Parenthetically, it might be observed that, aside from Fein, there is no other defendant before the Court who could be looked upon as a malefactor and from whom where could be any recovery in this action. A realistic agreement of settlement necessarily and logically requires the substitution of fresh money and new, vigorous management for the present controlling management which has had no interest or desire to undertake a constructive policy of effective utilization of the assets of the corporation on behalf of its stockholders.

The plaintiff has interested a number of other people to join him in buying out Fein and Trenton and providing Trans with the required new working capital and new management.

Accor'ingly, the parties have entered into an agreement, a copy of which is annexed hereto as Exhibit "D". In substance it provides as follows:

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- (a) Payment by plaintiff to Fein and Trenton of the sum of \$157,500. Out of this sum, Fein will cause to be settled and satisfied the claim for legal fees of one Louis C. Fieland, Esq., in the amount of \$35,000. for services rendered to Trans in the litigation described in Exhibit "B";
- (b) The assignment by Fein and Trenton to the plaintiff, individually and as nominee, of all of the said legal, equitable and beneficial interest which Fein and Trenton now have in the property and assets of Trans, as follows:
  - 1. The Trans indebtedness of \$242,500., reduced to \$225,460.72, as of June 1, 1966;
  - 150,000 shares of the common stock of Trans originally delivered by Trans to Trenton as an inducement to the making of the \$220,000. loan for the acquisition of the Sedalia gas properties;
  - 3. 350,000 shares of the common stock of Trans which had come into the possession of Trenton when it discovered that it had been defrauded by the fraud perpetrated by one Burkinshaw, who had preceded Fein as president of the company, in connection with the transaction which had induced Trenton to lend \$220,000. to Trans to acquire the Sedalia properties, these 350,000 shares having been turned over to Trenton by Burkinshaw when Trenton had threatened suit against Burkinshaw (see pp. 8-9, above);
  - The two-eighths working interest in the Sedalia gas field held by Trenton, pursuant to the original financing arrangements whereby the monies advanced by Trenton and Fein enabled Trans to acquire the five-eighths working interest of Trans in the Sedalia gas field. At the time of the said financing arrangements of April 11, 1960, Trans was enabled to purchase eight-eighths of the working interest in the Sedalia gas fields, threeeighths of which were simultaneously transferred to Trenton and Trenton in turn transferred oneeighth to Anglo-Pacific Oil and Gas Company Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as "Anglo") for 150,000 shares of common stock of Trans then owned by Anglo; Anglo subsequently mortgaged this oneeighth interest and, since May 26, 1965, Trans has been the assignee of said mortgage, which mortgage at the date hereof is in default; and
  - The aforesaid 150,000 shares of common stock of Trans acquired by Trenton from Anglo.

The plaintiff, individually and as nominee, proposes and commits himself--separate and apart from the aforementioned agreement with Fein and Trenton--to assign to Trans the property described in Items "4" and "5" above.

The resulting effect of the payment by the plaintiff and his associates of the sum of \$187,500. in cash to Fein and Trenton is to substitute the plaintiff and his associates for Fein and for Trenton vis-a-vis Trans, with the further benefits to Trans as follows:

- [1] The recovery of a two-eighths working interest now held by Trenton, as aforesaid;
- [2] The recovery of 150,000 shares of the common stock of Trans, also now held by Trenton;
- [3] The discharge of the \$35,000. claim for legal fees held by Louis C. Fieland, Esq.;
- [4] The release by Fein of \$60,000. in salary claims payable to him by Trans since August 1960;
- [5] The introduction of new, vigorous and determined management to get Trans moving once again as a viable and profitable corporation;
- [6] The furnishing to Trans of new working capital as hereinafter set forth.

## THE BENEFITS OF THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT TO TRANS

 The recovery of a two-eighths working interest in the Sedalia gas properties now held by Trenton

In 1960 when Trans first acquired the Sedalia gas
properties, it paid \$242,500. for eight-eighths of the working
interest, but it immediately surrendered three-eighths thereof

in order to obtain the necessary financing. In terms of the original acquisition price, the proposed recovery of a two-eighths working interest, as part of the within-proposed settlement, constitutes recovery, in monetary terms, of more than \$60,000. It will give Trans seven-eighths of the entire working interest. By reason of the facts described in Subparagraph 4. on Page 12 hereinabove, Trans will in all likelihood acquire the remaining one-eighth of the working interest.

# 2. The recovery of 150,000 shares of the common stock of Trans

The stock of Trans is traded over the counter. In 1960--when this particular block of stock was transferred to Trenton as consideration for the sale by it to Anglo in exchange for a one-eighth working interest in the Sedalia gas fields-the market price of such stock ranged from 63¢ to 70¢ per share; the current range of that common stock has been approximately 20¢ bid to 30¢ asked per share. Thus, the value of the recovery of this block of 150,000 shares, in present terms, must be approximately \$37,500.

## The discharge of \$35,000. claimed by Louis C. Fieland, Esq. for legal fees

Tt appears that Mr. Fieland rendered legal services on behalf of Trans in the litigation above referred to and which is described in Exhibit "B". He has made claim for \$35,000. as the reasonable value thereof. Fein is to furnish Trans with a release of this claim.

# 4. The waiver by Fein of \$60,000. in salary claims

Fein received no compensation as president of the company. He claims his services were worth at least \$10,000. annually since August 1960. By the terms of the agreement, he releases Trans of these claims.

# 5. The introduction of new management

While the plaintiff has been interested in Trans and has prosecuted the instant litigation because he has been a long-time substantial stockholder in Trans, it is now his intention to assume an active management role in Trans for the purpose of maximizing the utilization of its assets in the Colorado oil properties and in the Sedalia gas fields. Plaintiff has outstanding management credentials to present. A resume is annexed hereto as Exhibit "E".

Moreover, as appears in Paragraph SEVENTH (b) of the agreement, the plaintiff will cause to be held a meeting of the stockholders of Trans within 90 days after the closing of the transaction with Fein and Trenton, for the purpose of holding an election of new directors of Trans. This should go far toward revitalizing the corporation.

## The furnishing to Trans of new working capital

Before describing this vital issue of working capital, of which Trans has none whatsoever at the present time, it would be appropriate here to describe Trans' debt position. First, there is the long-defaulted loan, payable to Trenton and/or Fein

upon which principal and accrued interest on June 1, 1966
amounted to \$225,460.72. In the event this settlement is approved
by the Court and the plaintiff and his associates are installed
in control of the corporation, a new note in the then balance of
Trans' indebtedness to Trenton (approximately \$225,000.) will be
issued to the plaintiff, payable in five years and bearing
interest at the present rate of 6% per annum. The note will be
collateralized, as the existing defaulted note has been, by the
assets of Trans, namely the Rangely oil properties and the
Sedalia gas fields. Trans will not be required to make any payments on account of principal until after three years have
elapsed, at which time 10% of the principal amount will be due;
at the end of the fourth year a further 10% of the principal
amount will be due; and at the end of the fifth year, the balance
of the principal amount will be due.

Second, there are other debts payable by the corporation, approximating \$40,000., which will have to be discharged after settlement has been made. These consist of:

Texas Bank and Trust Company (the transfer agent)	\$12,040.00
Buchman & Buchman (legal fees)	
Harold Putterman & Co. (accounting fees)	10,000.00
Sol Smith (consulting services)	1,200.00
Judgment of record	5,144.26
Miscellaneous (approx.)	500.00

The discharge of these debts, obviously, can only come from fresh monies which the plaintiff and his associates will make evallable to Trans in the form of working capital. Other working capital will be needed for deepening existing wells on the contract of the capital will be needed for deepening existing wells on the contract of the capital will be needed for deepening existing wells on the capital will be needed for deepening existing wells on the capital will be needed for deepening existing wells on the capital will be needed for deepening existing wells on the capital will be needed.

the Rangely properties as well as drilling new ones. This work and provision for repair of equipment and other maintenance expenses will require approximately \$25,000. Building a gathering system on the Sedalia gas fields and hooking up to the Trans-Canada pipeline will require additional working capital which will be financed partly by funds provided by the plaintiff and partly by local bank financing in Canada.

The aggregate working capital thus needed by Trans to discharge the aforementioned indebtedness; maintain, improve and activate the Rangely oil wells; and turn the Sedalia gas fields into an income-producing asset is estimated to be as much as \$135,000.

The plaintiff, on behalf of himself and his associates, will state to this Court that it is his and their intention to furnish up to \$200,000. for the purposes indicated, for which they will request the Trans Board of Directors to issue convertible ten-year 4% debentures at a conversion price of 25¢ per share-- the par value of such stock and also the present approximate market price of that stock.

The plaintiff and his associates recognize that the future of Trans is uncertain, but they would not be making the substantial investment they propose to make in this transaction if they did not believe that the speculative aspects are balanced in some measure by the promise of eventual success.

The proposed settlement is a conscientious and imaginative disposition of the present litigation. If approved by the the corporate body from deteriorating slumber which has characterized it during the period of its control by defendant Fein. It offers to the stockholders the potentialities for eventually turning their stock into dividend-yielding assets. I firmly believe that the proposed settlement is desirable and merita the consideration and approval of this Court.

Annexed hereto is a form of proposed notice, pursuant to Rule 23(c) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, which is intended to advise the stockholders of Trans of the proposed settlement. It has been requested by counsel for the parties herein that notice of this settlement be given by newspaper advertising rather than by printing and mailing because (a) the lists of stockholders are in the custody and control of Texas Bank and Trust Company, the transfer agent, as hereinabove described and access to those lists cannot be presently had unless payment be made to that transfer agent of the \$12,000. debt presently owed to it. Trans does not have those funds and the plaintiff can hardly be expected to pay that debt in advance of any settlement herein; and (b) the costs of printing and mailing to the 7,000 stockholders of Trans would be disproportionately large bearing in mind the penniless state of Trans' treasury and the circumstances of the present settlement.

Sworn to before me this 21st day of Bune 1966.

s/ Irwin M. Taylor Irwin M. Taylor

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Exhibit D

Release of Bernard Fein by Transcontinental dated August 12, 1966

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a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State

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for and in consideration of the sum of

lawful money of the United States of America and other good and valuable consideration

to it in hand paid by

BERNARD FEIN.

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BERNARD FEIN, his

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#### BERNARD FEIN

it ever had, now has or which it or its successors hereafter can, shall or may have for, upon or by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever from the beginning of the world to the day of the date of these presents, with respect to all claims or causes of action arising from, connected with, or related to any of the matters or transactions alleged in the complaint in an action in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York entitled B. Edwin Sackett, plaintiff, v. Transcontinental Oil Corporation et al., defendants, 65 Civ. 2500.

This release may not be changed orally.

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TRANSCONTINENTAL OIL CORPORATION

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State of NEW YORK
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On the twelfth day of August

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B. Edwin Sackett to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he resides at this. Dearfield Lane, Greenwich, Connecticut,

that he is the President of Transcontinental Oil Corporation, the corporation described in, and which executed, the foregoing instrument; that he knows the seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed by order of the board of directors of said corporation; and that he signed his name thereto by like order.

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Exhibit E

Release of Trenton by Transcontinental dated August 12, 1966

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Defendants Trenton & Fein Ex.

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Exhibit F

Resolution of Board of Directors of Transcontinental dated August 12, 1966 The undersigned Secretary of Transcontinental
Oil Corporation, a Delaware corporation, does hereby certify
that at a meeting of its Board of Directors, duly called and
held on the 12th day of August 1966 at which meeting a
quorum was present and in attendance throughout, the following resolutions were adopted and have remained in force
and effect:

RESOLVED that the Corporation release Bernard Fein and Trenton Products Company from any and all liability to the Corporation with respect to all claims or causes of action arising from, connected with or related to any of the matters or transactions alleged in the complaint in the action in United States District Court for the Southern District of New York entitled "B. Edwin Sackett, plaintiff, against Transcontinental Oil Corporation et al., defendants," bearing File No. 65 Civ. 2500;

FURTHER RESOLVED that the President be and hereby is authorized to execute and deliver a release in proper form to Bernard Fein and Trenton Products Company in the form annexed to the minutes of this meeting.

Dated: New York, New York August 12, 1966

Irwin M. Taylor

Secretary

Defendants Trenton & Fein Ex.

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# Exhibit G

Order and Judgment of
Hon. H. R. Tyler, Jr., D.J.
in Sackett v. Transcontinental Oil Corp., et al.
dated July 12, 1966

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

B. EDWIN SACKETT,

Plaintiff,

- against -

TRANSCONTINENTAL OIL CORPORATION, BERMARD FEIN, ROY L. KROPP, LEON M. ROBINSON and TRENTON PRODUCTS COMPANY,

Defendants.

65 Civ. 2500

ORDER AND JUDGMENT

This Court having, by order to show cause, dated

June 22, 1966, brought by plaintiff herein, ordered a hearing to

be held on the 12th day of July 1966 for the purpose of determining whether the settlement of this action, as provided in the

stipulation of settlement annexed hereto, should be approved by
this Court, and

Said order having directed that notice of said hearing, in substantially the form annexed to the said order, be inserted as an advertisement in The New York <u>Times</u> on or before June 29, 1966, and said notice having contained a concise summary of the details of said stipulation of settlement, and

Said hearing having been duly held in open court on the 12th day of July 1966, the Court having heard Irwin M.

Taylor, Esq. of the firm of Kaufman, Taylor, Kimmel & Miller, attorneys for plaintiff herein, and Milton Paulson, Esq., attorney

Defendants Trenton & Fein Ex.



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for defendants Transcontinental Oil Corporation and Bernard Fein, both in support of the proposed settlement, and

No stockholder of Transcontinental Oil Corporation having appeared or expressed any opposition to the proposed stipulation of settlement and discontinuance, after opportunity having been granted by the Court to express any such opposition or to take any position with respect to said matters, and

After reading and filing the aforesaid order to show cause, dated June 22, 1966; the affidavit of Irwin M. Taylor, sworn to the 22nd day of June 1966; the stipulation of settlement, dated June 22, 1966; the notice to stockholders of Transcontinental Oil Corporation; the affidavit of Herbert F. Brown, sworn to the 25th day of June 1966, attesting to the publication in The New York Times on the 25th day of June 1966 of the aforementioned notice to stockholders of Transcontinental Oil Corporation; the agreement, dated June 22, 1966, smong Trenton Products Company, Bernard Fein and B. Edwin Sackett; the pleadings herein and the exhibits annexed thereto; and all the papers filed and prior proceedings had herein, and defendants Roy L. Kropp, Leon M. Robinson and Trenton Products Company not having been served, and

Due deliberation having been had, and the Court having determined that the proposed settlement and discontinuence of the action herein are both fair and in the interests of Transcontinental Oil Corposition.

It is, therefore,

of settlement between the plaintiff, on the one hand, and defen-

dants Transcontinental Oil Corporation and Bernard Vein, on the other hand, dated June 22, 1966, be and the same is hereby approved by this Court as fair and adequate under the circumstances, and the parties to such stipulation are hereby directed to proceed to its consummation in accordance with its terms; and it is further

ORDERED, ADJUDCED AND DECREED that the complaint herein be and the same is hereby dismissed, with projudice, as against all named defendants, without cost to any party as against any other party, and the said defendants be and are hereby released from any claim or cause of action whatever arising or which may arise out of or in connection with any matter or transaction referred to in the complaint herein; and it is further

ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that this Court shall retain jurisdiction over (1) all steps contemplated by the said stipulation of settlement and the effectuation thereof, and (2) the payment of fees for the attorneys for plaintiff.

Dated: New York, New York July 12, 1966.

s/ H. R. Tyler, Jr.
U. S. D. J.

JUDGMENT ENTERED 7/13/6 John J. O'Lear, Jr. Clerk

The undersigned consents to the settlement and entry of the order set forth hereinabove, without further notice.

Dated: New York, New York July 12, 1966

MILTON PAULSON

Attorney for defendants
Transcontinental Oil
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# Exhibit J

Agreement dated April 11, 1960, between Trenton and Anglo-Pacific extracted from defendants' Exhibit J Agreement made this // day of April 1900, by and between TRENTON PRODUCTS COMPANY, a New Jersey corporation, hereinafter called the "First Party" and ANGLO PACIFIC OIL & GAS LTD., a Canadian corporation, hereinafter called the "Second Party".

# WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, there is a certain option dated March 15, 1960 between James R. McCreary and O.V. Burkinshaw as agent and nominee for the Second Party pursuant to which certain rights in and to certain oil and gas properties in the Sedalia area of the Province of Alberta, Canada, are to be purchased; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to an agreement executed this day by the First Party with Transcontinental Oil Corporation, the First Party is to receive a three/eighths interest in the properties being purchased pursuant to the aforesaid option agreement; and

WHEREAS, the First Party is desirous to sell and the Second Party is desirous to purchase one-eighth interest in the said properties, for the 150,000 shares of treasury stock of Transcontinental Oil Corporation owned by the Second Party,

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One (\$1.00) Dollar and other good and valuable considerations, it is mutually agreed as follows:

1. The First Party hereby agrees to sell and the Second Party agrees to purchase one-eighth (1/c) interest in the certain oil and gas properties in the Sedalia area of the Province of Alberta, Canada, above referred to, for 150,000 share of treasury stock of Transcontinental Oil Corporation owned by the Second Party.

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2. Such purchase and sale pursuant to paragraph 1 hereof, shall take place immediately upon the consummation of the option agreement above referred to. In the event such option agreement is not consummated for any reason whatsoever, then and in such event this agreement is to be terminated for all purposes and there shall be no obligation to either the First Party or the Second Party pursuant to this agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto signed this instrument the day and year first above written.

TRENTON PRODUCTS COMPANY

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ANGLO PACIFIC OIL @ GAS LTD.

Exhibit K

Bill of Sale dated
March 22, 1961
from Transcontinental to Trenton

# TRANSCONTINENTAL OIL CORPORATION

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To

TRENTON IRODUCTS COMPANY % Bernard L. Green, Esq. Broad Street Bank Dldg. Trenton, N.J.

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For Value Possived, we have this date sold to you Five Hundred Fifty Thousand (550,000) shares of stock of Transcontinental Cil Corporation held by us as collateral on a note of Anglo-Pacific Cil & Gas Corpo in the sum of \$39.043.50, which said note is in default.

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We hereby represent and warrant 1) that no payments have been received on account on said note, 2) that the note is due and payable, and 3) that the undersigned holder of said note and collateral has full authority to sell said security by private sale.

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President

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Exhibit L

Letter dated
August 13, 1960
from Transcontinental
to Bernard L. Green

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Mr. Bernard L. Green Trenter Products Company Broad Street Bank Pling. Trenton, N.J.

Dear Mr. Green:

The following summarizes our enderstanding on the situation involving the default on the loan of \$242,000 by us from Trem on Products.

- 1. Thenton Products has fulled to look the security provided for in the lean agreement. The prior management is company fruidulently transferred such assets to others in violation the roof.
- 2. Trenton Products will support the Lanagement of this company in any litigation to secure the return of such assets. If successful therein, such assets will be transferred to Trenton Products to further cooure its loan.
- 3. Fending the conclusion of this matter in a manner satisfactory to you, Trenton Fraducts shall have no obligation whatshever in solution to support of the Sodalia Gas property until the gas therein shall be connected to a gathering system and be sold. Thursafter, Trentica's chare of such gus shall be charged with the operating costs applicable to its interest.
- 4. Trenton Products shall be entitled to receive from us, such additional shares of our com, any as we are able to recover from the former management and control of the company, together with such theres as may be held in the Treasurg of this company, at purific recoupment of the lamagne sustained by you arising out of the failure of this company to perform its chrigations, and without further obligation. While it is recognized that such shares have no value at this time due to the condition of the company, it is hoped that forbearance by you may result in this company being restored to viable condition in the immedate future.
- 5. We come to the incolleracy of this company at this time. Mavertheless, if is our understanding that so long as we co-operate with you, that you will forego any effort to collect the \$242,000, swed to you at this time with interest, and that yan will describe in an effort to kee, this company alive.

Very truly yours,

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### Exhibit NN

Letter dated June 7, 1360 from Buchman & Buchman, Esqs., to Orville Burkinshaw, with a form of a note and a resolution, both dated December 31, 1959, appended

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MAN 9/25/67-Jell · LAW OFFICES BUCHMAN & BUCHMAN IFNEY J BUCHHAN AHAM M BUCHMAN . NEW YORK 17, N. Y. June 7, 1960 Mr. Orville Burkinshaw 527 47th Avenue S.W. Calgary, Alberta, Canada Dear Orville: There are enclosed herewith the form of a note and a resolution which are to be executed on behalf of Anglo Pacific Oil & Gas Ltd., pursuant to discussions held at our last meeting in New York. It is important that these powers be executed immediately and returned together with the stock certificates for 500,000 shares of Transcontinental of stock with appropriate stock powers, so that the books can be closed for Transcontinental for the period ending December 31//1959. There seeds to be some misunderstanding as to the whereabouts of the spoks of the conforation. Since the policy of the board of directors was to inve the books kept in New York, our office has been contracted for information with regard to the books. As far as we know the books have not been left at this office and we would appreciated advice from you as to there the books are at the progent time. There were some other items that you were supposed to have taken care of and it would be appreciated if you would expedite the closing of all outstanding transactions. Very truly yours, ADRAHAM M. BUCIEIAM FOR BUCIEIAM & I FOR EUCIDIAN & BUCIDIAN encls. Defendants Trenton & Fein Ex.

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\$39,043.50

We promise to pay to the order of TEANSCONTINENTAL OIL CORPORATION on demand, the sun of Thirty-nine thousand forty-three dollars and fifty cents (\$39,043.50), payable at Manufacturers Trust Company, 510 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y., with interest thereon at the rate of six (6%) percent per annum.

As collateral security there is pledged herewith 500,000 shares of stock of Transcontinental Oil Corporation owned by us.

That in the event a demand is male for payment of this note and such payment is not forthcoming within ten (10) days from the date of such demand, then and in such event Transcontinental Oil Corporation shall have the right to sell any portion or all of the securities pledged hereinabove, at public or private sale, provided Transcontinental Oil Corporation gives ten (10) days' written notice to the maker hereof of such intended sale, and provided that in the event any proceeds of such sale exceed the total of the amount owing with interest to the date of sale, that such excess over the said total amount shall be turned over to the maker of this note.

Value received.

. ALIGLO PACIFIC OIL & GAS LTD.

Orvillo V. Eurkinshau, President

D. Stenley Stetn, Secretary

The following should be incorporated in the Minutes of the Corporation, and a certified copy thereof, forwarded with the note herewith enclosed and to be executed:

WHEREAS, there have been certain sums of money advanced by TRANSCONTINENTAL GL CORPORATION on behalf of ANGLO PACIFIC OIL & CAS LTD, and as a result of such advances there is now due and owing the sum of \$39,040.50 to TRANSCONTINENTAL OIL CORPORATION,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that there be issued a demand note in the sum of \$39,043.50, with interest at the rate of 6% per annum, payable to TRANSCONTINENTAL OIL CORPORATION; and further,

THAT the President and Secretary be and same hereby is authorized to place as collateral security against the said note 500,000 shares of Transcontinental Oil Corporation stock outstanding in the name of ANGLO PACIFIC OIL & GAS LTD., together with appropriate stock powers rendering such stock transferable and negotiable; and further THAT the President and Secretary be and same hereby are authorized and directed to execute the note and stock powers authorized herein.

Exhibit YTY

Promissory note dated
December 31, 1959,
payable to Transcontinental
and signed by Anglo-Pacific

\$39,043.50 We promise to pay to the order of TRANSCONTINENTAL OIL CORPORATION on demand, the sum of Thirty-nine thousand forty three dollars and fifty cents (\$39,043.50) with interest thereon at the rate of six (6%) percent per annum. As collateral security there is pledged with Buchman & Buchman, Attorneys at Law, 292 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 200,000 shares of stock of Transcontinental Oil Corporation owned by us. That in the event a demand is made for payment of this note by registered mail and such payment is not forthcoming within fifteen (15) days from the date we receive such deman, then and in such event Transcontinental Oil Corporation shall have the right to arrange a sale of such portion of the securities pledged hereinabove at public or private sale as is necessary to realize the amount due herein with interest, provided Transcontinental Oil Corporation gives to the maker hereof \_fifteen (15) days written notice of such sale and the consideration to be received therefrom. That in the event we do not make payments otherwise or approve such sale before the expiration of the fifteen (15) days then Buchman & Buchman are authorized herein to deliver all or such portion of the collateral as is necessary to provide sufficient proceeds from such sale to pay the amount due. ANGLO PACIFIC OIL & GAS LTD. Value received. Orville V. Burkinshaw. President N. Y. SUP. CT. PTF. EXH ..... OCT 1 - 1983 D. Stanley Tetz, Defendants Trenton & Fein Ex. MALTHE IN WHAN, C.S.R. No. YYY

# Exhibit MMMM

Letter dated January 20, 1960 from Marmot to Transcontinental, with appended schedule

225 Marin MARMOT HOLDINGS LTD. Leeson-Lineham Block Calgary, Alberta January 20, 1960 Transcontinental Oil Corporation c/o Buchman & Buchman 292 Madison Avenue New York 17, New York Dear Sirs: Under the terms of the agreement between Transcontinental Oil Corporation, Marmot Holdings Ltd., and Virgil R. Chamberlain, dated October 1, 1959, Transcontinental Oil Corporation agreed to issue 1,200,000 shares of its common stock to this company in consideration for certain petroleum and natural gas properties. Would you kindly issue these certificates in the names of the nominees, and in the denominations as set out on the attached schedule. Please ha , the transfer agent forward the certificates to Buchman, 292 Madison Avenue, New York 17, New York, and we will arrange to have one of our men pick them up in person. Yours very truly, MARMOT HOLDINGS LTD. OVB/ah Encl.

### SCHEDULE

Name and Address	Number of Shares
Howard C. Chase 4223 - 4th Street N. W. Calgary, Alberta	20 x 10,000
Richard W. Sargent 215 - 4th Avenue West Calgary, Alberta	20 x 10,000
Alfred Scott Field, B. C.	20 x 10,000
Arthur C. Weich 1150 - 9th Street N. W. Calgary, Alberta	20 × 10,000
Arthur A. Dawillets 511 - 26th Avenue N. W. Calgary, Alberta	40 x 5,000
Ann C. Higgins #2 - 510 - 9th Street S. W Calgary, Alberta	40 x 5,000

#### Exhibit NNNN

Agreement dated "this day of April, 1960," between Transcontinental, Marmot, and Virgil R. Chamberlain, signed by Orville V. Burkinshaw for Transcontinental

EXHIBIT U. S. DIST. COURT S. D. OF N. Y.

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GREEMENT made this day of April, 1960, by and MANSCONTINENTAL OIL COMPORATION, a Delaware comporation, ar called "Transcontinental"; MARMOT HOLDINGS LIMITED, a comporation, hereinafter called "Marmot"; and VIRGIL LAIN, hereinafter called "Chamberlain".

## WITNESSETH:

WHENEAS, an agreement dated the 1st day of October, 1959, was entered into by and between Transcontinental, Marmot and Chamberlain; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the said agreement certain properties were to be delivered by Marmot to Transcontinental; and

WHERMAS, Marmot is unable to give good title to said properties to Transcontinental; and

WHEREAS, the parties are interested in consummating the transaction with respect to the properties in British Columbia and in Montana; and

WHEREAS, the parties are desirous of securing general releases from each other.

NOW, WEREFORE, inconsideration of the sum of One Dollar and other good and valuable considerations, it is hereby agreed as follows:

- 1. The consideration for the transfer of all of the properties set forth in Schedule "A" attached hereto shall be one hundred thousand (100,000) shares of Transcontinental.
- 2. Simultaneously with the execution of this agreement the parties hereto are executing general releases to each other. Copies of said general releases are attached hereto marked Exhibit "E" hereof.

3. Marmot agrees that that it will not sell such shares in the United States or to any resident of the United States, in order that there will be no public offer of such shares in the United States.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

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Letter dated September 1, 1960, from Transcontinental to Anglo-Pacific. USA 388 - 475 ED. 4-28-71) DEFENDAN **EXHIBIT** SCONTINENTAL OIL CORPOR U. S. DIST. COURT 1782 LIFE OF AMERICA BUILDING DALLAS .2, TEXAS S. D. OF N. Y. SEP 19 1974 Scarsdale, N.Y. 666 September : FPI-MI--- 2-2-73-10H-8753 Anglo-Pacific Oil & Gas Ltd., 3620 Blackburn Road, Calgary, Alberta, Canada Dear Sirss Demand is hereby made for immediate payment of note in the amount of \$39,043.50, with interest thereon at 6 percent per annum from December 31, 1959, executed by you to the undersigned.: Yours truly, TRANSCONT! ANTAL OIL CORPORATION Bernard Fein Chairman of the Board

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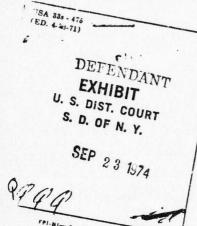
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# Exhibit QQQQ

Copies of two authorizations, one "To Whom it May Concern" dated December 2, 1965, and one to Canada Permanent Mortgage Corporation dated July 18, 1966, signed by Transcontinental.





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TRANSCONTINENTAL OIL CORPORATION
P. O. Box 487, Rangely, Colorado

December 2, 1965

To Whom it May Concern:

This letter will authorize Mr. Edward Sackett to enter on properties at Rangely, Colorado, and Sedalia Gas Fields in Alberta. Canada for purpose of inspection.

Very truly yours,

TRANSCONTINENTAL OIL CORPORATION

BF/tz

Bernard Fein, President

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# TRANSCONTINENTAL OIL CORPORATION P. O. Box 99 Scarsdale, New York

July 18, 1966

Canada Permanent Mortgage Corporation 315 8th Avenue West Calgary, Alberta Canada

Re: Trecon Oil Co. Ltd. Leases

Gentlemen:

The bearer of this letter, Mr. Edwin Sackett, is authorized to examine the leases which are on file with you in the above name.

Very truly yours,

TRANSCONTINENTAL OIL CORPORATION

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#### Exhibit RRRR

Letter dated January 4, 1966,
from Milton Paulson, Esq.,
to Kaufman, Taylor, Kimmel & Miller, Esqs.,
with document appended entitled
"Transcontinental Oil Corporation Pro Forma
Balance Sheet as of December 31, 1965"

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MILTON PAULSON
ATTORNEY AT LAW
122 EAST 425 STREET
NEW YORK 17, N.Y.
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January 4, 1966

Kaufman, Taylor, Kimmel & Miller, Esqs.
4l East 42nd Street
New York, N. Y.

Attention: Irwin M. Taylor, Esq.

RE: Sackett v. Tanscontinental, et al.

Dear Irwin:

I am enclosing herewith a Pro Forma Balance Sheet of Transcontinental as of December 31, 1965. Mr. Fein informs me that the figures are a "reasonable approximation". It is understood, of course, that we are in no way making any warranty or representation with respect to these figures and they are being submitted to you entirely without prejudice.

Sincerely yours,

Milton Paulson

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#### TRANSCONTINENTAL OIL CORPORATION PRO FORMA BALANCE SHEET AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1965

#### ASSETS

Cash	\$	164
Properties (a) (b)  1. Rangeley Properties  2. Sedalia Properties		0,000
Judgment against Anglo-Pacific - \$623,000		
Working Capital - Rangeley Properties (a)	_	9,625
TOTAL ASSETS	25	9,625
LIABILITIES		
Fieland Buchman Putterman Texas Bank & Trust B. Fein - sal. accd. B. Fein - disbursements Smith Notes Payable - Trenton Products (a)	1 1 1 5	05,000 - 0,000 0,000 0,000 0,000 6,000 1.100 20,767
Contingent Liabilities (c)	-	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	34	2,867

 <sup>(</sup>a) Pledged as security for note of Trenton Products.
 (b) Estimated current value.
 (c) Liabilities illegally incurred by AnglO Pacific et al in name of Transcontinental Oil. Total amount unknown.

## Exhibit NNNNN

Document entitled
"Minutes of Special Meeting of
Board of Directors Held on
November 30, 1959"

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD ON NOVEMBER 30, 1959

der at 15th Floor, 292 Madison Avenue, New York, N.Y.

hanimous consent, Mr. Leslie was appointed as Secretary of

The resignation of Warren Schoenthaler was received and accepted. Upon motion of Mr. Leslie, deconded by Mr. Kropp, Orville V. Burkinshaw and Thomas Cairns were nominated as Directors to fill vacancies, and were unanimously elected.

Mr. Fein thereupon submitted his resignation as President. Mr. Kropp moved acceptance of teh resignation, and the election of Mr. Burkinshaw to succeed him. The motion was seconded by Mr. Leslie and unanimously carried.

Mr. Burkinshaw thereupon moved the election of Mr. Fein az Chairman of the Board, seconded by Mr. Leslie, and unanimously carried.

A discussion ensued concerning the agreement with Anglo-Canadian concerning the acquisition of White River Exploration and it was agreed that it be modified to provide that payments of S1,000,000. xxxxx provided therein commence four (4) months after completion of present oil loan on proerty.

The resignation of Mr. Lellie as Director was submitted. It was moved by Mr. Burkinshaw and seconded by Mr. Fein that Donald S. Tetz be elected Director to fill the vacancy thus created.

There being no further business to transact, the meeting was adjourned.

Harry B. Leslie

Secretary of meeting

Bernard Fein

Chairman of the Board

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Portions of the deposition of B. Edwin Sackett taken September 22, 1967 T ADMITS THAT THE OCTOBER 1966 MEETING "WAS RESTRICTED ALMOST ENTIRELY...

1. 'ICE THAT WAS PLACED ON THE STOCK" (NEVER SAID THIS ON DIRECT). HE
TAKES CONTROL AND THEN USES TRANS TO STOP TRANSFERS - & THEN GOES TO
MEETING FOR EXPLANATIONS!

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how the acquisition by Trenton occurred. We have never been furnished with that information.

MR. SCHWARTZ: I don't mean to be examining you, Mr. Taylor, but you have volunteered it, so I will just ask you the button-up question:

Did you have any meetings with any representatives of Mr. Fein or with Mr. Fein on the subject of Desilets?

MR. TAYLOR: I don't recall that we had any other face-to-face meeting, although I am sure I had several telephone conversations with Mr. Cole, and possibly one or two with Mr. Scofield.

MR. SCHWARTZ: Well, is there anything that was said or that you believe was promised during those that would be worthy of note, in addition to your meeting with them?

MR. TAYLOR: No. We were told that we would be given the information, and we never have been given the information.

BY MR. SCHWARTZ:

Q Mr. Sackett, I would like to return to your meeting with Mr. Paulson and Mr. Fein at which Mr. Taylor was present, and it is your recollection, you say, as I nderstand, that the Desilets affair was discussed?

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That's correct.

Q Were other subjects also discussed?

A Oh, yes.

Q How many subjects? Can you recall if it was several subjects that were discussed?

entirely, as I recall, to the stock notice that was placed on the stock, the very shares of Transcontinental stock, and Mr. Taylor and I furnished information to Mr. F in and Mr. Paulson with respect to the particular shares of stock on which stock notices were placed.

In that connection, of course, the Desilets stock came up, and certain information was asked for and a discussion was had on that.

Q Do you remember what you and Mr. Taylor asked for?

A Yes. I remember specifically that I pointed out, in going over these things, we came to the issuance of the stock to Desilets, as shown by the transfer records, to Desilets, and asked Mr. Fein what he knew about it. He said he didn't know anything about it. We asked him how it came -- how he got possession of it. We asked him who Mr. Desilets was. He said well, he didn't know. Then we asked him how he got possession

of the stock, and he said, well, Desilets was -- as

I recall now -- Desilets was a friend of Burkinshaw,
and Burkinshaw got the stock from Desilets, or Desilets
gave Burkinshaw the stock, or Burkinshaw got the stock
from Desilets and Burkinshaw gave it to him, because
Burkinshaw owed him \$10,000, and that's how he got the
Desilets stock.

Q By "him," you mean Mr. Fein?

A Mr. Fein. This is Mr. Fein speaking.

Q Burkinshaw then gave that stock to Mr. Fein?

A This is what Mr. Fein said as to how he received the stock physically. He said that Burkinshaw gave it to him because he owed him \$10,000 and, as to how Burkinshaw got it, he didn't ow, except that Desilets must have been a friend of Burkinshaw, and he got it from Desilets some place.

He did not give us any detail about any transaction with Desilets, although we asked him that.

Q What do you mean by "any transaction with Desilets"?

A Well, any dealings that he may have had with Desilets of any kind. He denied knowing who Desilets was. He denied having met him or knowing who he was, or what his connections were.

I pointed out to him that the transfer records showed that Desilets address was in care of Box 99, Scarsdale, which is Mr. Fein's box.

- O Pardon? What is that address?
- A Box 99.

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Q But how was it recorded on the stock card?

Desilets is the stockholder of record, and his address is shown there as Box 99, Scarsdale, which is Mr. Fein's box and, when I tried to find out who Mr. Desilets was, or look his address up from his transfer record, all I could find was Box 99, so I had nothing tracing Mr. Desilets, since I didn't know who he was or what connection he had with any firm or anything else, at this point. This is why I was unable to locate Mr. Desilets. That's why I asked Mr. Fein who he was; he was unable to tell me.

MR. TAYLOR: Off the record. (Discussion off the record.)

Q You were saying, Mr. Sackett, that you pointed out to Mr. Fein that the address was Box 99, Scarsdale, and do you remember what Mr. Fein's response was to this, if any?

A I don't remember any response. I asked him
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to account for it, and he -- he shrugged his shoulders.
He certainly didn't account for it.

Q What else did you say or ask for at this meeting?

THE WITNESS: At this meeting?

MR. SCHWARTZ: Yes. About the Desilets affair.

A Well, as I said, we asked him to account for this, as to what the transaction was, or how he obtained the stock, and so forth. I related that.

And we asked him how we could locate Desilets, and so forth, and he didn't know, and, with respect to Desilets, we also asked him whether there was any consideration for the stock, or whether it was assigned to him, or something else, and he just didn't know; he didn't say anything.

Q Did you not say that he told you he got it from Burkinshaw on account of a \$10,000 debt?

A This is right. This is his explanation as to how it came into his possession, after we showed him from the record that such stock was issued. When I first mentioned it, he never heard of it, he never heard of the stock, he didn't know anything about the 100,000 shares; he denied any knowledge of it, and then,

when I showed him that it was in the record, and that it was issued on such and such a date to Mr. Desilets, and that he transferred this stock in August of 1966, we showed him that record, and then he remembered that he got it from Burkinshaw, who must have gotten -- he still didn't know who Desilets was.

Q But he did tell you that Desilets disposed of the stock to Burkinshaw, and Burkinshaw disposed of the stock to Fein on account of a \$10,000 debt?

A This was his explanation, that Burkinshaw gave it to him because he owed him \$10,000, but he still could not account for the address of Desilets, the fact that his box was used as the address for Desilets.

Q And what else did you ask for or say to Mr. Fein or Mr. Paulson at this meeting?

THE WITNESS: With respect to what?

MR. SCHWARTZ: The Desilets affair.

A Well, that's about it. There was nothing else I could say, I don't think.

Q Do you remember anything else that Mr. Fein said about the Desilets affair, other than what you have already told us?

A No.

Q Do you remember whether Mr. Paulson talked PAUL FROMM, C.S.R. — STENOTYPE REPORTER — BACLOY 7-6932

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THE WITNESS: Yes.

Q That states, does it not, Mr. Sackett, on or about the 12th day of April, 1960, and while in control of Trans, Fein caused Trans to authorize the issuance of 100,000 shares of the common stock of Trans to one Arthur A. Desilets.

Can you tell me what was the basis on which you alleged that paragraph?

A The minutes of the board of directors of Transcontinental show that on April 12, 1960, the board authorized this issuance of the stock.

Q Is that the only basis?

A That's the only basis.

Q So the minutes said, did they not, that these shares were issued to Mr. Desilets as nominee for Marmot in connection with the said transaction?

A As I recall that.

Q And the additional allegation, Fein caused
Trans to authorize the issuance, is based on what?

A Based on the fact that Mr. Fein was in control of the company, and he was the chief executive officer of the company, and he must have had to recommend it to the board or initiated the recommendation, as any chief executive would.

MR. TAYLOR: I hand you a letter dated

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SA KETT CONCLUDED THAT DESILETS' SHARES WERE NEVER DELIVERED TO HIM BECAUSE -NO ENDORSEMENTS -- NO POWERS, ETC. (P. 70) -- BUT SACKETT ADMITS
AT P. 177 THAT FEIN AS TRANSFER AGENT OFTEN FAILED TO REQUIRE STOCK
POWERS AND ASSIGNMENTS.

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A Yes. I saw a letter to that effect in the file, in the Transcontinental file.

MR. TAYLOR: Would you have that?

THE WITNESS: I am pretty sure it is there.

MR. TAYLOR: Off the record.

(Discussion off the record.)

THE WITNESS: Come to think of it, I'm not certain that it is Desilets stock, but I saw a letter telling of some stock, and it could be.

MR. SCHWARTZ: If it is, I am sure you or Mr. Taylor will furnish it to me.

THE WITNESS: If it is, I will be very glad to furnish it to you. It is a copy of a letter.

MR. TAYLOR: I will also check with Mr.
Buchman to see if he has any such letter referring
to delivery of such stock.

Q Mr. Sackett, then I would like to ask you why you should have concluded and alleged in the verified complaint that the stock was not delivered to Mr. Desilets and was converted by Mr. Fein?

A Well, when I examined the stock certificates in the possession of the transfer agent, there were no endorsements of any kind, there were no stock powers attached to it. There was no indication, from the

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physical condition of the certificates, that they had been even folded or sent through the mail in a folded condition. There were no marks of any kind on it.

And they -- there were no transactions -- the stock remained registered in Mr. Desilets' name until they were transferred, in August, by Mr. Fein, and, therefore, my conclusion was that they had -- that -- there was no evidence that Mr. Desilets had ever signed or seen or done anything to the certificates.

Q Well, what evidence might there have been had he, in fact, received them? Haven't you told me there are no corporate records which would have indicated physical delivery?

A But the certificates themselves, if he had delivered them and assigned them to anyone, or assigned the rights to them to anyone, normally should have had an endorsement signature stock power, or something with his name on it, indicating that he had transferred his right, title and interest to those certificates.

Q Mr. Sackett, in Paragraph 16 it is alleged as follows: (Reading) "On or about the 25th day of April, 1960, the said 100,000 shares of stock were issued but, on information and belief, the said stock was never delivered by Trans to the said Arthur A.

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/2	that count that plaintiff is contending is that Mr.
3	Fein failed to demand stock powers and assignments
4	when stock was transferred from one person to another,
5	and he executed the transfer?
6	A I observed that, yes.
7	Q Do you remember on about how many cases that
8	occurred?
9	A I don't remember offhand.
10	Q Approximately?
11	A A number of cases. I don't keep count. I
12	think there has been an examination made since I looked
13	at it, and I think that is the best evidence of it.
14	I don't know. There were a number of them, and certain-
15	ly, if you are referring to Desilets stock, there is no
16	evidence of any stock power that was attached to it,
17	or may have been attached to it.
18	So, if Mr. Fein got these shares from Mr.
19	Burkinshaw, as he told you he did, and did not demand
20	a stock power or an assignment, he was acting there as
21	he had acted in a number of other situations; is that
22	right?
23	MR. TAYLOR: Would you identify the word
24	"he"?

MR. SCHWARTZ: Mr. Fein.

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MR. TAYLOR: May we have that question read, please.

(The pending question was read by the reporter)

A As transfer agent, he acted, probably did the same thing in a number of other situations, but he had a dual capacity, and he allegedly got the stock as an owner.

Q You knew of Count Eight, thefacts underlying Count Eight at the same time as you knew about the facts underlying Count Two; isn't that right?

A Well, about the same time, because I didn't know any of it until I saw some of the records.

Q They both appear in the complaint, so you knew about them at least together at the time you were deciding to file this complaint?

A Yes, this is correct.

Q Didn't Mr. Fein's apparent habit, according to your investigation, of not requiring transfers -- didn't that habit account for the absence of a stock transfer on the Desilets shares, and doesn't that mean that you had no evidence to suggest that Buchman did not deliver the stock to Desilets?

MR. TAYLOR: I will object to that question as being speculative. It has no proper foundation PAUL FROMM, C.S.R. — STENGTYPE REPORTER — BARCLOY 7-6932

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2	Q You choose the word "return" only because
3	a year earlier the shares had been issued to Anglo?
4	A Well, in that sense, yes.
/5	Q Am I right that you have said that you are
/ 6	not making any contention as to whether this stock had
7	been foreclosed and became the property of Trans?
8	A I don't know.
9	Q You said you are not making any contention?
10	A No, I am not.
11	Q Then it might still be the property of
12	Anglo is that right so far as you know?
13	A It might.
/14	Q How then can you sue for damages to Trans
/ 15	for \$150,000 for the conversion of stock that may be
16	the property of Anglo?
17	A Well, I am not sure it is the property of
18	Anglo. It could possibly be but, based upon the facts
19	as I see them and know them, this is the basis for my
20	suit or for my count, and I relied upon legal advice
21	and guidance in preparing this count.
22	Q What evidence do you know of or suspect
23	or have reason to believe exists that Trenton and Fein
24	appropriated these shares of Trans stock?
25	A Because the facts known to me indicate that
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PURCHASED THE SHARES OF TRANS WHICH WERE SECURITY FOR THE \$39,000 NOTE FROM ANGLO.

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is your answer "No," or "I don't know"?

A At this point, I don't know. All I know is that he came back and apparently in connection with a note, and it was transferred by Mr. Fein. I don't know what happened.

Q Have you investigated as to whether the security of 300,000 or 300,000 plus 200,000, given by Trans to Anglo was ever foreclosed?

pany, as far as I have been able to determine, that would indicate this. I think, in one conversation after this, we filed the action and everything else, and after we -- at the time -- wait a minute. Something comes back to me now. I am not sure whether this was right. At the time counsel and I talked to Fein, after the stock notice had been put on the shares --

MR. TAYLOR: And before the commencement of the litigation?

asked him -- we gave him all this information, which you have on Exhibit 10 here, as far as the stock certificates and so forth that we put the stop on, and we asked for explanation, and it seems to me at that time he said that, in accounting for, talking about the shares

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that he got from Anglo, he said something about the shares having been foreclosed, or he bought them on a foreclosure and, as I recall, Mr. Paulsen told him we weren't there to discuss that, and we didn't proceed any further.

That is the best of my recollection. I still don't know the details or anything else.

MR. TAYLOR: He said it was a foreclosure of a personal loan.

cause he wouldn't talk about it. At least his counsel told him not to talk about it. That is the only evidence or information I have, to my recollection, about the foreclosure. He didn't specifically refer to this note. I don't know whether it is this note he is talking about, or these shares. In accounting for it, he did make that statement, or started to make that statement, and Mr. Paulsen told him that we weren't there to discuss that information.

Q Was there anything other that Mr. Fein said, other than what you have mentioned, about the shares that you were asking an explanation of, that could have been about 300,000 or 500,000?

A No. We asked him about the Desilets stock,

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on the premise that they undertook no obligation to give you any papers and, therefore, you could not be correct in such a recollection.

THE WITNESS: I recall asking Mr. Burkinshaw, when I had that brief interview with him, and his recollection was that, as far as he knew, the shares were still held by Trans on that note. He didn't know anything about any shares having been foreclosed. That was his statement to me.

Q In other words, he confirmed to you that the note was not paid?

A Yes, and -- well, he said as far as he knew the 500,000 shares were still in the possession of Trans and he knew of no foreclosure. In other words, he received no notice of foreclosure, or didn't know of any foreclosure, it didn't come to his attention as president of Anglo.

Q He had not paid the not, you are quite clear about that?

A I am sure that is true, but I didn't, he didn't claim that he paid the note, shall we say.

I did ask him whether, from what I gathered was the 500,000 shares of stock that was sent in as

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security, whether that had been foreclosed and so forth.

Q Are you clear in your mind, from all the investigations and conversations you have held, that the note for which this stock was pledged as security was not paid?

A I would think so. As I say, there is nothing in the record that I found in the files turned over to me by Mr. Fein which would indicate that the note was or wasn't paid, or what happened there, as near as I can recall, and I am sure I would have noticed something about it.

Q That is not my question. I am asking you, are you reasonably clear in your mind, from all the things you have inquired into, that the note was not paid?

A Yes, I am reasonably clear in my mind.

Q Are you also reasonably clear in your mind that on non-payment of a note Trans has a right to foreclose?

According to these documents, yes, I would think so.

Do you know of anything to indicate that Trans did not foreclose?

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claim in 1966?

A Well, it was warranted at \$222,000 or \$223,000 with adjustments.

Q Do you know from your study of the records or otherwise whether Trenton advanced additional money in the period of time prior to 1962 and 1963 to pay rentals on leases that were paid in those years prior to 1962 and 1963?

A Whether Trenton did?

Q Yes.

A I don't know whether Trenton did or Mr.

Fein did or who advanced the money. Records indicate that Mr. Fein sent checks in payment -- for
the letters of transmittal transmitted checks.

Now, whose checks they were I don't know.

Q So far as you know they could have been Trans's checks or Mr. Fein's checks?

A Yes. This I don't know. Unless it is reflected in these records that the accountant has.

Q Have you any idea as to whether Trans

was receiving further advances of money, meaning

loans in order to keep up such leases as were kept up?

A Well, I don't know except that during the conversations I had with Mr. Fein over a period

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suit he told me that he advanced -- he personally advanced money to Trans and for a Trans operation and at one point Trans owed him \$57,000, as I recall, which he had advanced -- borrowed money from the bank -- and he personally advanced to pay Trans's debt, as he put it, debts or something. And that was later repaid to him.

Q Have you, in your study of the files since you took over August of 1966, found anything that would contradict what he told you there?

A No. I found nothing in the files that I have. That is completely devoid of that particular line of information. It certainly might indicate -- or be indicated in the records that the accountant has that he -- from which he tried to develop all of the activities that occurred for and on behalf of Trans and so forth. It may well be in those records but in the files of the corporation that I have there is no indication that I found that bears on that point.

Q When you gave these financial records to the accountant did you give him any general assignment to reconstitute records or look for various PAUL FROMM, C.S.R. — STENDTYPE REPORTER — BACCIOY 7-6032

(1) SACKETT STATES THAT HE IS SUING, IN THE NINTH COUNT, ON AN ORAL AGREEMENT TO GET ALL OF TRENTON'S SHARES. (2) THAT THE ORAL AGREEMENT "CULMINATED" IN THE WRITTEN AGREEMENT OF JUNE 22, 1966 AND (3) THAT NOWHERE IN THE WRITTEN AGREEMENT DOES IT STATE THAT HE WILL GET TRENTON'S SHARES. TRENTON'S SHARES. agreement referred to In paragraph 47 of the complaint? Yes, it is. 3 Do you have any other writings which you claim 4 are a part of an agreement you reached with Mr. Fein and 5 Trenton in 1966? 6 No, I don't. A 7 Is this the complete agreement, as far as you 8 know? 9 A This is the only agreement signed with Mr. Fein 10 by myself. 11 And is Count 9 limited to this written agreement, 12 or does it go beyond the written agreement? 13 MR. TAYLOR: You are asking for a legal conclusion, 14 or the legal effect of the allegations. I object 15 to the question. 16 MR. FISCHER: I will rephrase the question. 17 In Count 9, are you suing the defendants, Trenton 18 and Fein, on any oral agreements? 19 Well, yes; on the oral agreement and understand-20 ing and meeting of the minds that I was purchasing all of 21 the assets of Trenton which in any way related to Trans-22 continental Oil, including all of the shares of stock of 23 Transcontinental Oil which Trenton owned of record and 24

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beneficially and so forth. That was my understanding in the negotiations for the purchase which finally led to the culmination.

Q What culmination?

A Well, it culminated in this agreement, which was carried out and resulted in the acquisition by me of certain assets of Trenton relating to Trans.

Q Where in this agreement, Defendant's Exhibit 103. is it stated that Trenton agreed to sell to Sackett "all of the shares of common stock of Trans owned by it of record and beneficially"?

A There is no language specifically in the agreement such as you quote.

Q I quoted merely from the complaint, which says that Trenton agreed to sell to Sackett all of the shares of common stock of Trans. I ask you whether in that agreement you can show me where they so agreed.

A It is not stated in so many words in the written agreement as executed. This was the agreement on my part and, I am sure, on the part of Mr. Fein, which we reached orally in this transaction. In executing the agreement, the written agreement, I was certainly under the impression and firmly believed that this was a representation that this was all of the stock and other assets that Trenton

SACKETT CONTENDS THAT THE ORAL AGREEMENT TO SELL HIM ALL OF TRENTON'S SHARES WAS MADE ON OCTOBER 22, 1965.

Witness Sackett

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June 22nd?

MR. TAYLOR: That recites what the ownership is.

There are other representations as to what the seller had as of the date of the agreement.

MR. FISCHER: I am asking you whether plaintiffsclaim that this written agreement in any way contains a representation that Trenton only owned 600,000 shares of common stock and no other stock of Transcontinental.

MR. TAYLOR: The witness has stated, and I firmly believe, also, that that language constituted a representation that the sellers owned only the shares of stock set forth in that agreement; that is to say, the language sets forth what Trenton had as of the date of the agreement. That and no more.

Q Do you adopt what your counsel just stated?

A Yes, I do.

Q You stated that there was an oral agreement and understanding and a meeting of the minds that you were purchasing all of the shares of Transcontinental owned by Trenton. I ask you when you made this oral agreement with the defendants.

A On October 22, 1965.

Q I see you are looking at certain notes. Are

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these notes you made at the time of the agreement or contemporaneously with the execution of the agreement?

A This is a guide to notes which I made just shortly after the meeting at which this agreement was arrived at, or which formed the basis of the negotiations which led to the final execution of the agreement.

Q Did you take notes at the negotiations for the execution of the agreement?

A No, I didn't, not at the execution.

Q At the time you were negotiating this agreement, Defendant's Exhibit 103 with Mr. Fein and during those negotiations, did you take notes, either at the meetings or shortly thereafter?

A Well, it didn't happen that way. To put it in the proper perspective, the first meeting that I had with Mr. Fein to discuss a possible settlement of the lawsuit, the stockholder suit which. I had brought, was set up by my counsel, Mr. Taylor, who had received information to the effect that Mr. Fein was willing to sell all of his interests in Trans and get out.

We therefore held this meeting on October 22, 1965, in Mr. Fein's office, and there were present Mr. Fein, Mr. Paulson, his lawyer; Mr. Taylor and myself. This was the very first time we discussed purchasing the assets of

money, an attorney, an accountant and someone else. I forget who.

Q Is it correct that at this first meeting, Mr. Fein was seeking to obtain \$222,000 in cash?

A That was his offer: that if he got that money, he would turn over all his interests and all of Trenton and turn over control; in other words, his interest in Trans and turn over control and so forth.

Q Did you ultimately agree to give him \$222,000?

No.

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And did he ultimately agree to give you all of

Trenton?

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A Well, what he was giving up -- what we were buying was clear from the beginning, because we told him we
were not interested in the corporate shell, in the corporation, in the stock of Trenton itself. We were interested
only in all of the assets relating to Trans. We didn't
want Trenton as such.

This was clear from the very beginning. The price was negotiated in a number of meetings by Mr. Taylor with Mr. Paulson and with Mr. Fein, probably, and the price was finally arrived at, the final price. But we certainly never departed from the first premise that we were getting everything that Trenton owned relating to Trans.

Q At this meeting of October 22, 1965, did Mr.

Fein say to you that Trenton Products owned a total of 600,000 shares of Transcontinental? I am asking you without refreshing your recollection. Do you know it from your independent recollection?

A From my independent recollection? Well, I would have to look at my notes.

Q Sitting here today, do you recall Mr. Fein saying to you, on October 22, 1965, that Trenton owned a total
of 600,000 shares of Transcontinental?

A Not in those words, no.

Q In similar words, did he ever say anything along those lines? In substance, did he say that?

A I don't recall that. I don't recall that we discussed exactly the shares of Transcontinental stock Trenton owned. We were talking about all the shares of stock owned in Trans, including, I remember -- well, we were talking about all the shares of stock he owned, a quarter interest in the Sedalia and Oyen gas fields and certain assets and liabilities -- certain liabilities that the company owed. He recounted those.

Q In other words, your present recollection is that Mr. Fein offered you all of Trenton's assets, for which he wanted \$222,000?

A That's right. He offered the whole company, actually, but we didn't want the company.

Q When I say "all of the assets," I mean the whole company.

A Yes.

Q In fact, he ultimately did not receive \$222,000?

A No, that was negotiated down and he received \$187,000, approximately.

Q I ask you again whether, of your own independent recollection, you recall that Mr. Fein said at this meeting that Trenton Products was the owner of 600,000 shares of Transcontinental, and those were all the shares owned by Trenton?

A I have no recollection of him saying that specifically at that meeting.

Q Did he ever say that to you, at any meeting, or during any conversations?

A I didn't have any more conversations with him until we closed --

Q I am saying ever. Did he ever tell you that the only shares that Trenton owned of Transcontinental in 1966 were 600,000 shares?

A No, because that is the only time -- I saw him in 1965, and then the negotiations were under way by Mr. Taylor,

and I didn't see him again until the closing.

Q Were you ever told by anybody, including Mr. Fein, either at meetings, telephone conversations or correspondence that Trenton Products only owned 600,000 shares of Transcontinental?

A No, I didn't --

MR. TAYLOR: I have to object to the form of the question. The allegation, of course, isn't that it was 600,000.

MR. FISCHER: Well, 650,000.

MR. TAYLOR: In your statement, you seem to be misleading, not intentionally, Mr. Sackett. Perhaps it might help, I respectfully suggest, if you ask him what the conversations between them were.

Q I will amend the question to ask you whether Mr. Fein ever told you that Trenton owned a total of 650,000 shares of Transcontinental and no more?

A At this meeting, it is my recollection that the total amount of shares that Trenton owned of Trans was not mentioned by number. The understanding and the point of negotiation for that meeting was that we were getting everything they owned. There was no representation made at that meeting, to my recollection, that Trenton owned 200,000 or 600,000 or a million shares. There wasn't any

representation to that effect, as I recall. Now, if I can look at my notes, I can refresh my memory.

Q I am asking you a question that I believe can be answered yes or no. I want to know whether Mr. Fein ever told you that Trenton Products only owned 650,000 shares of Transcontinental? Either he said that to you on some occasion, or he never said it to you.

A At any time?

Q At any time, did he ever tell you that Trenton Products only owned 650,000 shares?

A I don't think he ever told me that at any time, as to what specifically Trenton owned.

Q Did Mr. Taylor ever tell you that Trenton only owned 650,000 shares of Trans?

MR. TAYLOR: When?

MR. FISCHER: Ever.

A Well, Mr. Taylor told me -- he confirmed the fact, according to my understanding, that we were getting all of the shares of stock owned by Trenton, of Trans stock, either beneficially or otherwise. They were the owners of it. We were getting the quarter interest. We were getting these other things that we had in the agreement. This was our understanding. When I read this agreement, before I signed it, in talking to Mr. Taylor, he said,

"Well, this agreement says that they own this stock, and we have been negotiating for everything, so this is what we are buying, apparently." It never occurred to me that Trenton owned more than the amount of stock which is alleged in the agreement that it was the beneficial owner of.

Q Did you ever ask Mr. Fein how many shares of \
Transcontinental he owned personally, outside of Trenton?

A Yes, at one time -- and I can't remember when it was -- at some meeting that I had with him -- it wasn't at this time, I don't think -- but at a previous meeting, he said, as I recall, because we were talking about the ownership of shares -- and he said he owned either 70,000 shares of stock, for which he paid 50 cents a share, or 50,000 shares of stock for which he paid 70 cents a share. I don't remember which. That was at some meeting. It was some months before the suit started. It was a year or two before that.

Q But you did not negotiate with Mr. Fein for the purchase of the shares he owned personally, outside of Trenton, is that correct?

A That's correct; we were not buying any shares of his personal holdings. As I recall, he indicated that was either 50,000 or 70,000 shares.

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Q And I take it the minth count of the complaint does not seek to recover from Mr. Fein any of the shares he owned personally outside of Trenton, is that correct?

A Which he was --

Q Assuming he was the lawful owner of those shares which he presently owns, or which he owned on June 22, 1966, you are not seeking the recovery of those shares, is that correct?

A That is correct.

Q Were you ever told by anybody -- and I am including Mr. Fein -- at any time that Trenton owned more than 650,000 shares of Transcontinental in June 1966, and I will limit it up until the end of 1966? Were you ever told up until the end of 1966 that Trenton owned more than 650,000 shares of Transcontinental?

A Up to the end of 1966?

more than 650,000 shares of Trans?

Q Right.

A Yes, because after we took over the company on August 14 and saw the records of the transfer agent, then we knew that Trenton owned more than that and transferred more than that and so forth.

Q Up to and through the closing of the June 22, 1966 agreement, were you told by anybody that Trenton owned

that we were buying everything they had.

No; I believed that that is all they owned and

Q Did you ever ask anyone whether Trenton owned more than 650,000 shares of Transcontinental prior to the closing of the agreement of January 22, 1966?

A There was no one I could have asked, Mr. Fischer, because my only contact was with Mr. Fein that had anything to do with Trenton and I didn't know anybody else who knew anything about Trenton. All my information with respect to Trenton came from Mr. Fein, over my contact with him during a period of several years. He never told me just exactly what Trenton owned during those contacts.

Q Did you ever ask Mr. Taylor, Mr. Paulson, Mr. Cole, Mr. Fein or anyone else whether Trenton owned more than 650,000 shares prior to the date of the closing.

A No, because I expected and -- my part of the agreement, in my mind, was that I was buying everything he owned. It never occurred to me that Trenton owned more than what was in that agreement, so I had no way of -- I had no reason to ask.

Q Were you ever told by anyone, including Mr. Taylor, Mr. Paulson, Mr. Cole or Mr. Fein, that Trenton owned more than 650,000 shares of Transcontinental?

A Yes. If I was told, I wouldn't have executed

our agreement that we negotiated to buy.

Q You stated at the outset of your tertimony that it was an oral agreement with the defendants and it was your understanding and a meeting of the minds that you were purchasing all of the assets of Trenton, including all of the shares of stock of Trans owned by Trenton and that that was your understanding of what the agreement was, is that correct?

A Well, all of the assets of Trenton, including the stock that related to Trans. I didn't know what other assets they had. Certainly, we were not going to buy, although it was offered -- all of the company was offered, but we said we were not interested in the company itself. We were just interested in the assets relating to Trans. We were not interested in taking over the liabilities or the company.

Q You stated that Mr. Fein was seeking \$222,000 at the outset of these negotiations?

A That's right.

Q And that thereafter he took a lesser figure, is that correct?

A That's correct. However, the terms of what we were buying was not changed from the very beginning. We

were buying what we started to talk about, and we never talked about buying anything different or deviated from the initial premise that we were buying everything. The only thing changed was the amount we paid for it.

Q You mean the only difference between your initial meeting and the ultimate agreement was the amount of money that Mr. Fein was to get?

A In substance, yes. I can't recall anything else. Well, in the final negotiations there was a warranty as to debts constanding and things like that, but the basic thing we were buying was never changed. In other words, we never deviated from that initial conversation, initial premise that started the negotiations and continued all the way through to its conclusion.

Q Di u ever ask Mr. Taylor, prior to the closing of this agreement, whether or not you and he should seek a certification from the transfer agent of Trans, who at that time was Mr. Fein, that these were all of the shares owned by Trenton?

MR. TAYLOR: Mr. Fischer, I haven't objected so far to your inquiring of the witness what conversations he had with me. I certainly think it would be improper for him to be asked questions concerning conversations he had with me as his counsel.

SACKETT ADMITS HE KNEW HE WAS NOT BUYING B. FEIN'S STOCK.
What if Trenton had over the years given some of its stock to Fein as its largest creditor & stockholder? Does Sackett claim those shares?

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Q Referring now to this meeting of October 22, 1965 and your notes of that meeting, Defendant's Exhibit 104, the second full paragraph on the first page reads: "Taylor stated that we understood Fein was willing to sell his interests in Trans Oil and get out completely; that we were neeting to explore this possibility and to determine from him details regarding the assets and liabilities of Trans."

Is that your recollection of an item that Mr. Taylor raised at the outset of the meeting?

A That's correct. If those are my notes, that was my recollection at the time I wrote the notes. By that I don't intend to report verbatim as to what Mr. Taylor said, but the substance of what he said that is pertinent to the thing. There were a lot of other things probably said that I didn't consider pertinent at that time, as I recall.

Q Well, was the ultimate deal reached with Mr. Fein a deal whereby he got out of Trans completely?

A To the extent that he resigned as an officer and director and turned over all the records and everything else. To that extent, that did happen, yes.

Q Isn't it true that he did not sell his complete interest to you on June 22, 1966, and at that date you knew

he was not selling his complete interest in Trans to you?

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A By "his complete interest," what I would mean would be that we knew he wasn't selling his personal stock, any personal stock that he owned personally in Trans. But his interest in Trans, such as an officer, director, waiv-

ing \$50,000 of accrued salary and other things, he was selling his interest in Trans.

Q Are you saying that you knew, on October 22, 1965, that Mr. Fein was not there to discuss the sale of his own personal holdings in Trans?

A Well, that never came up because we were not buying his personal holdings, his personal stock that he owned beneficially, personally, owned of record beneficially. We were talking about his interests in Trans as an officer, director, any debt that was owed by Trans to him. We were talking about Trenton's interest, really. When we were talking there about his interest, what I meant there was that his interest in being in the company, as an officer, director in control of the company, and we were talking about Trenton's interest. We were buying these assets from Trenton. There was no question about beying any assets or stock from Mr. Fein personally, other than his waiver of the debt that Trans owed him for back salary.

Q You are saying, then, that when you wrote in

SACKETT ADMITS THAT TRENTON ACQUIRED THE DESILETS AND CHAMBERLAIN STOCK IN APRIL 1960.

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ask him what the legal significance of his claim is.

Q What facts do you know which support the conclusion contained in Paregraph 49: that the Arthur Desilets shares and the Elsie Chamberlain shares, if they had not been converted, should nevertheless be turned over to you under the terms of the June 22, 1966 agreement?

A Woll, if they had not been converted, they would have, as far as I know, he in the emerchip -- they would have been beneficially cured by Trenton. Therefore, they should have been turned over.

Q What supports your conclusion that they would have been beneficially owned by Trenton?

A Decause Trenton was the vahicle and the entity that leaned the mency and apparently received consideration for the mency leaned to Trans. There was no record in the files indicating that any other individuals connected with Tranton were the recipients of any stock from Trans. Therefore, it would seem to me that Trenton would be the beneficial owner or should be the beneficial owner or should be the beneficial owner if it had not converted them, actually.

Q When do you understand Trenton acquired these shares, approximately?

A The Desilets stock was apparently acquired when it was issued, on April 25, 1960, and the Chamberlain stock

1960.

Q Is it not a fact that between 1960 and 1967, you

was also received in 1960; probably in July or August of

do not know what happened or whore that stock was Isn't that true?

A I know it was sold in 1966, but where it was physically at that time, other than in the possession of Trenton, so far as I know, I don't know where it was.

Q Fatween 1960 and 1966, you don't know who was the common of the cartificates, do you?

MR. TAYLOR: Are you asking this witness about who the record owner purported to be?

MR. FISCHER: Who the beneficial owner of those certificates were.

A No, other than what Mr. Fein, in his accounting for the various shares, said that Trenton got this or that, but it wasn't specified as to any specific certificates.

Q And you don't know whether Trenton disposed of those shares to a third person between 1960 and 1966, is that correct?

A No, I don't know, except that it was sold at the time of the closing. It might be a strange coincidence.

Q Referring to Paragraph 20, who put those certificates in for transfer on those respective dates?

sell all of the interests that he had in the whole picture and that Trenton had, as debtor and so forth, if he would be paid out the debt. That was the basis of this meeting: to explore this. That is what I said. By "his interest," I mean there all of his interest as an officer, director, creditor of Trans, and also --

Stockholder?

Well, I didn't specifically mean personal stockholder. That wasn't discussed at that time. By 'his interest" I meant just what I said.

The last page of these notes contains a paragraph which is the second paragraph from the bottom, which reads, in part, as follows: "Fein, in answer to a direct question by Taylor, said he was willing to turn over all of Trenton Products and his personal interests, including control of Trans, if Trenton is paid in full (\$222,000) and he is paid the \$6000 he advanced as operating expenses."

That's correct; well, that's what it says there.

I want to find out from you what you meant by the words 'his personal interests."

A To me, that meant his interests as an officer, director and the person to whom Trans owed money for back salary.

Not as a stockholder?

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A No, I didn't mean any personal stock that he may have legally owned beneficially, that he had paid a consideration for and so forth and so on. We weren't negotiating for that.

Q He didn't, in fact, sell you all of his personal interests, is that correct?

A He did?

Q He did not, in fact, sell you all of his personal holdings of stock in Trans, is that correct?

A Well, we never asked him to.

Q But he didn't? You didn't ask him to and he didn't?

A As far as I know, he didn't. I don't know what his holdings were, because the amount of record, after we took over and got the transfer records, the amount of shares he owned of record was a very small amount, probably five or six thousand shares.

Q. And you did not negotiate for those shares and he didn't sell you those shares, is that correct?

A That's right; we didn't know about those shares. We didn't know what he owned, except that at one time he told me it was either 50,000 or 70,000.

Q And it is your claim in this lawsuit that he also did not deliver to you, on or about June 1966, shares owned

#### Exhibit PPPPP

Form of a debenture entitled
"Transcontinental Oil Corporation
10-year 4% Subordinated Convertible
Debenture, due 1976"

### TRAISCONTINUE TAL OIL CORPORATION

## 10-year 4% Subordinated Convertible Lebenture, due 1976

TRANSCONTINENTAL OIL CORPORATION, a corporation duly ergsnized under and by virtue of the laws of the State of televare, and being herein called the "Company," for value esseived, promises to pay to

or order, the sum of \$ on August 15, 1976, and to pay interest on the principal amount thereof at the rate of Four (4%) Percent per annum. The principal hereof, and the interest hereon, shall be payable at the principal office of the Company.

This Debenture is one of an issue known as 10-year 41 Subordinated Convertible Debentures, duly authorized on tegust 12, 1966, in the aggregate principal amount of (100,000, each debenture being in multiples of \$500, and all otherwise of like tenor and maturity, except the variations necessary to express the name of the payee, the date of issuance and the number of each debenture.

Interest shall be payable semi-annually on February 15th and August 15th of each year until payment of the principal sum has been made or duly provided for, and shall be payable from February 15th or August 15th, as the case may be, last preceding the date hereof to which interest has been paid, unless the date hereof is a February 15th or a August 15th to which interest has been paid, in which the from the date hereof, or unless the date hereof is prior to February 15, 1967 in which case from August 15, 1966.

The holder of this debenture has the right at his sprion, commencing at any time after August 15, 1967 and to and including August 15, 1976 (except that in case this debenture shall be called for redemption and the Confiny shall not thereafter default in making due payment of the redemption price, such right shall terminate at the

close of business on the date fixed for redomation), to conthe principal hareof fute fully-maid and man-marcachie fires of the court steek of the Company of the conversion rates of \$0.25 per chare, when numbered of this debenture to the Gompany at its oringinal office and accommended (1) if 13 required by the Company, by an instrument of transfer in fore catisfactory to the Company, duly executed by the registered holder of this debenture or by his duly outhorized stormey, and (2) if currendered for conversion after the record date for payment of interest on this debenture and refore the date of payment of such interest, by funds in an recent equal to the interest which would have been so payable ea the principal amount hereof so surrendered for conversion ted the same not been so surrendered for conversion. The conversion price is subject to adjustment in case the Company thall at any time issue any shares of common stock in subdivision of outstanding common stock, by reclassification or cherwise, or in case the Company chall combine shares of comon stock, by reclassification or otherwise, in which event or events the conversion price shall be proportionately retuced or increased, respectively.

All or any of the debentures of the issue of which the within is a part are subject to redemption, in whole or in wirt, on any interest-paying date prior to maturity, at the election of the Company, upon payment of the principal amount thereof, accrued interest and a promium of One (1%) Percent of the then unpaid emount of the principal for each year or mjor fraction of a year that redemption is had prior to the esturity date herein of August 15, 1976, upon the Company (or its successors or assigns) giving notice of its election to redeen, by certified or registered mail, directed to the wider hereof named hereon (at such holder's address last illed with the Company prior to such mailing) at least thirty (10) days prior to the date of redemption. If the holder lercof fails and neglects to surrender this debenture for researt at the time and place in such notice specified, this debenture shall cease to bear interest unless payment theroof Is refused upon the presentation of the same at the time specified in such notice.

The Company may redeem this debenture in part by payment of a portion of the principal amount thereof in multiples of

100. and upon such pre-payment, the Company shall pay the accrued interest upon the amount so pre-paid together with premium of One (1%) Percent of said amount of pre-paid principal for each year or major fraction of a year that such pre-payment is had prior to the maturity date herein of August 15, 1976. Upon any such pre-payment, this debenture shall be surrendered to the Company for the endorsement tercon of a notation of such pre-payment. Anything to the emtrary notwithstanding, the Company shall not call this or any other debenture of the issue of which the within is a part prior to August 15, 1967.

By the acceptance of this debenture, the holder thereof

- All debentures of this issue rank equally and ratably without priority over one another;
- 2. All rights of the holder hereof to the principal sum or any part thereof is and shall remain subject and subordinate to the claims of all present and future contract creditors, including banks and other institutional lenders, whose claims arise from (a) the sale of equipment and/or supplies to the Company; or (b) the rendition of work, labor or services to the Company; or (c) monies loaned to the Company; and upon dissolution or liquidation of the Company, no payment shall be due or payable upon this debenture until all of the said contract creditors of the Company shall have been paid in full;
- 3. Upon the occurrence of any of the following events of default:
  - (a) failure to pay any interest due on this debenture within thirty (30) days after the same becomes due;
  - (b) the Company shall commence any voluntary proceeding under any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, readjustment or debt, receivership, dissolution or liquidation law or statute of any jurisdiction, whether now or hereafter in effect; or the Company shall be adjudicated insol-

vent or bankrupt by a decree of a court of competent jurisdiction; or the Company shall petition or apply for, acquiesce in or consent to, the appointment of any receiver or trustee of the Company or for all or a substantial part of the property of theCompany; or the Company shall make an assignment for the benefit of creditors; or the Company shall admit in writing its inability to pay its debts as they mature;

(c) there shall be commenced against the Company any proceeding relating to the Company under any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, readjustment of debt, receivership, dissolution or liquidation law or statute of any jurisdiction, whether now or hereafter in effect, and any such proceeding shall remain undismissed for a period of sixty (60) days or the Company by any act indicates its consent to, approval of, or acquiescence in any such proceeding; or a receiver or trustee shall be pointed for the Company or for all ntial part of the Company and any or a el such rec vership or trusteeship shall remain undischarged for a period of sixty (60) days; or a warrant of attachment, execution, or similar process shall be issued against any substantial part of the property of the Company and the same shall not be dismissed or bonded within sixty (60) days after levy,

then, subject to the provisions of Paragraph "2" hereof, and in any such event, the holders of Seventy-Five (75%) Percent in principal amount of these Subordinated Convertible Debentures outstanding may, by written notice to the Company, declare the entire unpaid principal amount of all such debentures, together with accrued interest thereon, due and payable, and the same shall, unless such default shall be cured within fifteen (15) days after such notice, forthwith become due and payable upon the expiration of such fifteen-day period,

without presentment, de and, protest, or other notice of any kind, all of which are expressly vaived.

In the event that the holder of this debenture thall surrender the same for conversion into the common stock of the Company, as hereinabove set forth, then upon the demand in writing of the holders of Seventy-Five (75%) Percent of the aggregate, thole number of the shares of stock actually converted or convertible by the terms of the debentures issued as part of this series, the Company will, at its cun cost and expense, file a registration statement affecting such shares with the Securities and Exchange Commission, such registration statement to be filed no later than ninety (90) days after such written demand therefor.

In the event the Company shall, independent of any cound of the holders of this or any other debenture in this series (or the holder of the stock into which this debenture has been converted), propose to file a registration statement, the Company shall give fifteen (15) days' written notice thereof to the holder of this debenture during which time the said holder may notify the Company that his shares (converted or to be converted) are to be included within taid registration statement and thereupon said holder (or stockholder, as the case may be) shall furnish the Company with such information as may reasonably be required with respect to the inclusion of such converted shares in said registration statement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this debenture to be signed and its corporate seal to be affixed by its officers thereunto duly authorized.

TRANSCONTINENTAL OIL CORPORATION

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Attest:	Ву	President

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## FOR USE CULY COOK CONVERSION

# TO: TRANSCENTINENTAL OIL COMPORATION

the undersigned hereby irrevocably elects to convert this debenture into shares of common stock as provided in said debenture. All shares deliverable upon such conversion thall be issued in accordance with the instructions given below.

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